

Illinois 2004-05 Schedule/Results

11-19	Delaware State	W, 87-67	(1-0)
11-21	Florida A&M	W, 91-60	(2-0)
11-24	Oakland	W, 85-54	(3-0)
11-27	vs. #24 Gonzaga (Indianapolis)	W, 89-72	(4-0)
12-1	#1 Wake Forest - @	W, 91-73	(5-0)
12-4	vs. Arkansas (Little Rock)	W, 72-60	(6-0)
12-6	Chicago State	W, 78-59	(7-0)
12-9	at Georgetown	W, 74-59	(8-0)
12-11	vs. Oregon (Chicago)	W, 83-66	(9-0)
12-19	Valparaiso - &	W, 93-56	(10-0)
12-22	vs. Missouri (St. Louis)	W, 70-64	(11-0)
12-27	Longwood - &	W, 105-79	(12-0)
12-30	vs. N'western St.-& (Las Vegas)	W, 69-51	(13-0)
12-31	vs. #22 Cincinnati-& (Las Vegas)	W, 67-45	(14-0)
1-5	Ohio State	W, 84-65	(15-0, 1-0)
1-8	at Purdue	W, 68-59	(16-0, 2-0)
1-12	Penn State	W, 90-64	(17-0, 3-0)
1-15	at Northwestern	W, 78-66	(18-0, 4-0)
1-20	#23 Iowa	W, 73-68, OT	(19-0, 5-0)
1-25	at #18 Wisconsin	W, 75-65	(20-0, 6-0)
1-29	Minnesota	W, 89-66	(21-0, 7-0)
2-1	at #12 Michigan State	W, 81-68	(22-0, 8-0)
2-6	Indiana	W, 60-47	(23-0, 9-0)
2-8	at Michigan	W, 57-51	(24-0, 10-0)
2-12	#20 Wisconsin	W, 70-59	(25-0, 11-0)
2-16	at Penn State	W, 83-63	(26-0, 12-0)
2-19	at Iowa	W, 75-65	(27-0, 13-0)
2-23	Northwestern	W, 84-48	(28-0, 14-0)
3-3	Purdue	W, 84-50	(29-0, 15-0)
3-6	at Ohio State	L, 64-65	(29-1, 15-1)
3-11	vs. Northwestern - %	W, 68-51	(30-1, 15-1)
3-12	vs. Minnesota - %	W, 64-56	(31-1, 15-1)
3-13	vs. #23 Wisconsin - %	W, 54-43	(32-1, 15-1)
3-17	vs. Farleigh Dickinson - \$	W, 67-55	(33-1, 15-1)
3-19	vs. Nevada - \$	W, 71-59	(34-1, 15-1)
3-24	vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee - \$	W, 77-63	(35-1, 15-1)
3-26	vs. #9 Arizona - \$	W, 90-89, OT	(36-1, 15-1)

(Associated Press rankings)

@ = ACC/Big Ten Challenge
& = Las Vegas Holiday Classic

% = Big Ten Tournament
\$ = NCAA Tournament

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Westwood One - National: Kevin Harlan, play-by-play; John Thompson & Bill Raftery, expert analysts; Jim Gray, court-side reporter.

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#1 ILLINOIS (36-1, 15-1, Big Ten Champions)
2005 NCAA Basketball Tournament-Final Four
#1 Seed • Chicago Regional Champions
April 2 & 4 • St. Louis, Mo. • Edward Jones Dome (46,469)

Probable Starters

F -	43	Roger Powell, Jr. (Sr., 6-6, 235, 11.8 ppg, 5.5 rpg)
F -	40	James Augustine (Jr., 6-10, 230, 10.4 ppg, 7.6 rpg, 1.2 bpg)
G -	4	Luther Head (Sr., 6-3, 185, 15.7 ppg, 3.9 rpg, 3.8 apg)
G -	5	Deron Williams (Jr., 6-3, 210, 12.6 ppg, 3.6 rpg, 6.7 apg)
G -	11	Dee Brown (Jr., 6-0, 185, 13.5 ppg, 2.6 rpg, 4.5 apg)

Off The Bench

G -	33	Rich McBride (So., 6-3, 215, 2.7 ppg, 1.4 rpg)
F -	41	Warren Carter (So., 6-9, 210, 2.4 ppg, 1.8 rpg)
C -	45	Nick Smith (Sr.-r, 7-2, 250, 3.4 ppg, 2.2 rpg)
C/F -	50	Jack Ingram (Sr.-r, 6-10, 245, 4.2 ppg, 2.6 rpg)
F -	55	Shaun Pruitt (Fr., 6-8, 245, 1.4 ppg, 0.9 rpg)

Injured

G -	15	Calvin Brock (Fr., 6-4, 185, plans to redshirt)
F -	34	Fred Nkemdi (Sr., 6-5, 235, 0.7 ppg, 0.3 rpg)
F -	42	Brian Randle (So., 6-7, 210, 1.8 ppg, 1.7 rpg in 2003-04)

Coaching Staff

Illinois Head Coach Bruce Weber

Overall Record: 165-62/.727 (7th Year)

At Illinois: 62-8/.886 (2nd Year)

Big Ten: 28-4/.875

NCAA Tournament: 8-3/.727

Assistant Coaches: Wayne McClain (4th Year),
Jay Price (2nd Year),
Tracy Webster (1st year)

Assistant to the Head Coach: Gary Nottingham (2nd Year)

Trainer: Al Martindale (2nd Year; 22nd Year at Illinois)

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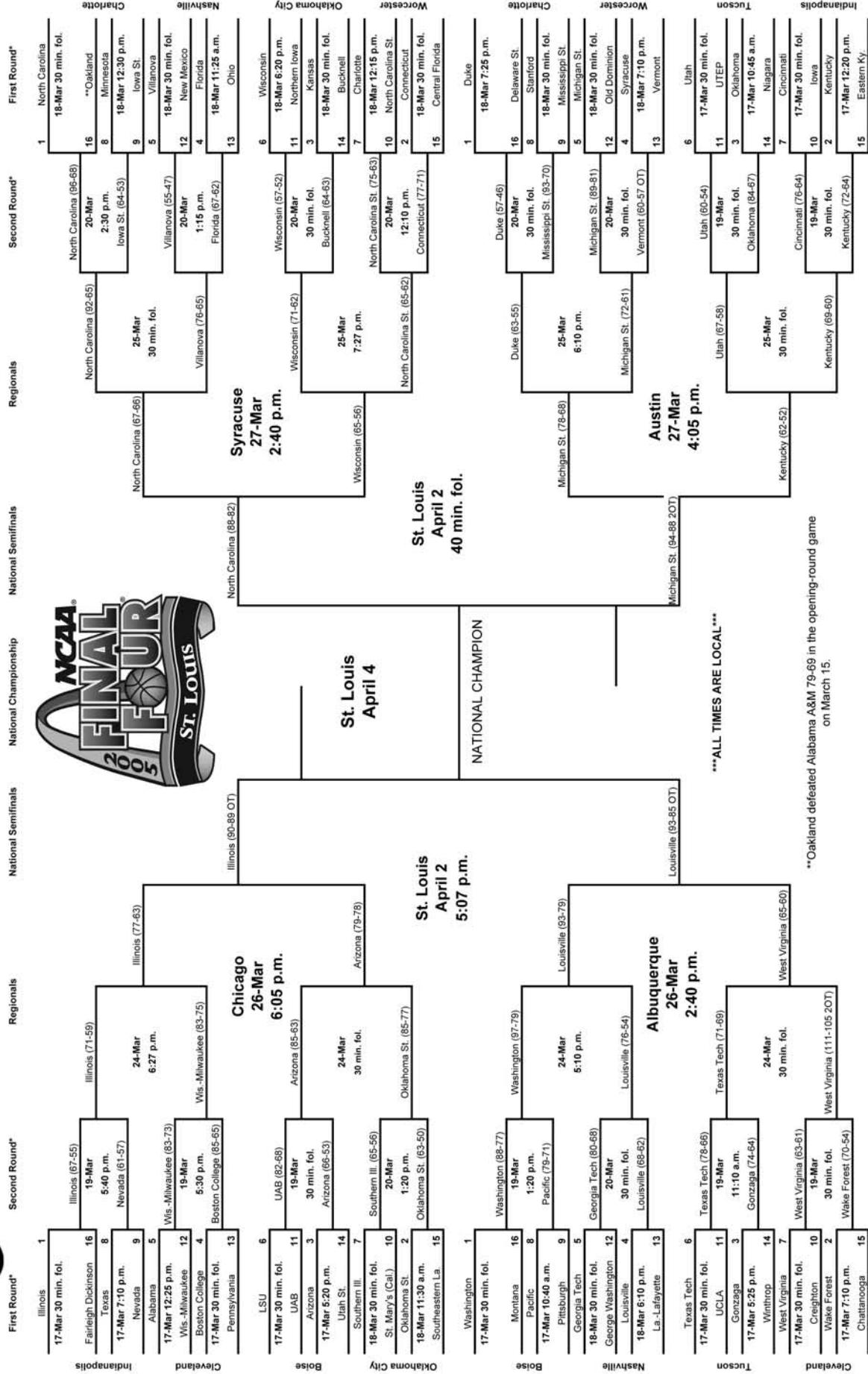
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2005 NCAA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT BRACKET



2005 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship



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Media Schedule (all times Central):

Friday, April 1

Practices

Noon-12:50 p.m.	Louisville open practice
1-1:50 p.m.	Michigan State open practice
2:10-3 p.m.	Illinois open practice
3:10-4 p.m.	North Carolina open practice
<u>News Conferences</u>	
1-1:15 p.m.	Louisville Coach Rick Pitino
1:15-1:30 p.m.	Selected Louisville players
* 1-1:45 p.m.	Louisville Locker Room open to media
12:45-1:15 p.m.	Illinois Interviews with CBS and NCAA
1:20-1:30 p.m.	CBS Joint Interview: Coach Weber & Coach Pitino
1:30-1:45 p.m.	Selected Illinois players
1:45-2 p.m.	Illinois Coach Bruce Weber
* 1:15-2 p.m.	Illinois Locker Room open to the media
2-2:15 p.m.	Michigan State Coach Tom Izzo
2:15-2:30 p.m.	Selected Michigan State players
* 2-2:45 p.m.	Michigan State Locker Room open to the media
2:30-2:45 p.m.	Selected North Carolina players
2:45-3 p.m.	North Carolina Coach Roy Williams
* 2:15-3 p.m.	North Carolina Locker Room open to media

Saturday, April 2 - National Semifinals

Game #1	5:07 p.m.
	#4 Louisville vs. #1 Illinois
Game #2	40 min. after Game #1
	#5 Michigan State vs. #1 North Carolina

Sunday, April 3 (Should Illinois win)

11-11:30 a.m.	Coach Weber and Illinois Starters Press Conf.
11:35-12:05 p.m.	Illinois Starters in Breakout Rooms; Coach Weber Continues Press Conference
12:25-12:55 p.m.	Illinois Open Locker Room
12:10-12:20 p.m.	CBS Joint Interview with Coaches
12:25-12:55 p.m.	Coach Weber and Illinois Starters Interviews with CBS and NCAA
1-2:30 p.m.	Illinois Closed Practice
12:30-1 p.m.	Game #2 winner Coach and Starters Press Conf.
1:05-1:35 p.m.	Game #2 winner Starters in Breakout Rooms; Coach Continues Press Conference
1:55-2:25 p.m.	Game #2 winner Open Locker Room
2:30-4 p.m.	Game #2 Winner Closed Practice

Monday, April 4 - National Championship

Game #3	8:21 p.m.
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Broadcast Information

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	Play-By-Play: Kevin Harlan
	Expert Analyst: John Thompson
	Expert Analyst: Bill Raftery
	Courtside Reporter: Jim Gray
	Halftime/Postgame: John Tautges

The Illini in The NCAA Tournament

Illini Single-Game Bests in NCAA Tournament Play ...

Points	31, Deron Williams vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04
Rebounds	16, Nick Anderson vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89
	16, Brian Cook vs. Notre Dame, 3/22/03
Field Goal Pct.	.875 (7-8), Lowell Hamilton vs. McNeese State, 3/16/89
	.875 (7-8), Deon Thomas vs. Georgetown, 3/18/94
3-Pt FGs	6, Cory Bradford vs. Arizona, 3/23/01
	6, Deron Williams vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04
3-Pt. FG Pct.	.833 (5-6), Frank Williams vs. San Diego St., 3/15/02
Free Throw Pct.	1.000 (8-8), Mark Smith vs. Wyoming, 3/14/81
	1.000 (8-8), Kenny Battle vs. McNeese State, 3/16/89
	1.000 (7-7), Ken Norman vs. Northeastern, 3/15/85
	1.000 (7-7), Efrem Winters vs. Georgia, 3/17/85
Free Throws	16, Kiwane Garris vs. Southern Cal, 3/14/97
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Assists	12, Kiwane Garris vs. Southern Cal, 3/14/97
Steals	6, Bruce Douglas vs. Georgia, 3/17/85
Blocked Shots	3, Lowell Hamilton vs. Austin Peay, 3/12/87

- This is Illinois' fifth appearance in the NCAA Final Four, and its first since 1989. Illinois finished third in 1949, 1951 and 1952, and were most recently beaten by Michigan in the national semifinals in 1989. Following is Illinois' all-time results in the Final Four:

1949	Eastern Playoffs (at New York)
	Kentucky 56, Illinois 47
	Final Playoffs (at Seattle)
	Illinois 57, Oregon State 53 (third place)
1951	Eastern Playoffs (at New York)
	Kentucky 76, Illinois 74
	Final Playoffs (at Minneapolis)
	Illinois 61, Oklahoma A&M 46 (third place)
1952	Final Playoffs (at Seattle)
	St. John's 61, Illinois 59
	Illinois 67, Santa Clara 64 (third place)
1989	Final Four (at Seattle)
	#3 Michigan 83, #1 Illinois 81

- This is the seventh time in NCAA Tournament history that the Big Ten has had two teams in the Final Four. The last time was in 2000, when Michigan State and Wisconsin both reached the Final Four, with the Spartans going on to win the title. Below is the list of times that the conference has had two teams in the Final Four (teams listed in bold went on to win the national championship):

1976 - Indiana and Michigan
1980 - Iowa and Purdue
1989 - Michigan and Illinois
1992 - Michigan and Indiana
1999 - Michigan State and Ohio State
2000 - Michigan State and Wisconsin
2005 - Illinois and Michigan State

- This is Illinois' first-ever NCAA Tournament appearance in St. Louis, but the Illini are very familiar with the Gateway to the West. The Illini face Missouri in the "Braggin' Rights" game, played annually in December at the Savvis Center, and lead the Tigers 16-8 in games played at St. Louis. Illinois has also made one appearance at the Edward Jones Dome, facing St. Louis University at the then-TWA Dome on Dec. 6, 1997. The Illini lost that game by the score of 57-51.

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- Illinois is a No. 1 seed for the third time in school history. Illinois was a No. 1 seed in the Midwest Region in 1989 and went on to advance to the Final Four in Seattle. Illinois last earned a No. 1 seed in 2001 in the Midwest Region, when it advanced to the Elite Eight in San Antonio.

- The Illini are 10-2 (.833) all-time as a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament.

- Illinois is making its 25th appearance in the NCAA Tournament, which is the second highest number of Tournament appearances among Big Ten schools trailing only Indiana's 32. This is the sixth-consecutive year Illinois has been in the Tournament, all with Top-5 seeds.

- Illinois has compiled a 36-25 (.590) record all-time in NCAA Tournament appearances. Since 1975, when the field was increased to 32 teams, Illinois has advanced to the Sweet 16 eight times (1981, 1984, 1985, 1989, 2001, 2002, 2004 and 2005), the Elite Eight four times (1984, 1989, 2001 and 2005) and the Final Four twice (1989 and 2005).

- Bruce Weber is making his fourth-straight appearance in the NCAA Tournament, which includes his last two years at Southern Illinois and his first two seasons at Illinois. His all-time NCAA Tournament record as a head coach is 8-3 (.727) after leading the Salukis to the 2002 Sweet 16, the Illini to the Sweet 16 last season, and this year's UI squad to the Final Four.

- Illinois' all-time series record vs. the Final Four:

2-2 vs. No. 4 Seed Louisville
2-3 vs. No. 1 Seed North Carolina
50-47 vs. No. 5 Seed Michigan State

- All-Time Scores vs. Possible Final Four opponents:

#4 Louisville (2-2)

12-29-79	77-64	W	Honolulu
3-24-89	83-69	W	Minneapolis
11-30-96	60-70	L	Hilo, Hawaii
11-28-97	57-58	L	Bayamon, P.R.

#1 North Carolina (2-3)

12-20-51	86-66	W	Champaign
12-20-86	77-90	L	Chapel Hill
12-19-87	74-85	L	Champaign
12-3-02	92-65	W	Champaign
12-2-03	81-88	L	Greensboro, N.C.

#5 Michigan State (50-47)

3-5-51	49-43	W	East Lansing
2-11-52	84-62	W	Champaign

1-29-53	76-64	W	East Lansing
3-2-53	66-53	W	Champaign
1-9-54	59-60	L	East Lansing
2-14-55	90-72	W	Champaign
1-2-56	73-65	W	Champaign
2-18-56	96-76	W	East Lansing
2-9-57	64-70	L	East Lansing
2-18-57	83-89	L	Champaign
2-15-58	56-69	L	East Lansing
1-10-59	96-97	L	Champaign
1-16-60	96-88	W	Champaign
2-8-60	77-78	L	East Lansing
1-30-61	93-92	W	Champaign
2-20-61	80-90	L	East Lansing
1-13-62	66-65	W	East Lansing
2-9-63	91-86	W	Champaign
1-4-64	87-66	W	Champaign
2-17-64	82-85	L	East Lansing
2-20-65	113-94	W	East Lansing
3-9-65	121-89	W	Champaign
2-22-66	66-68	L	East Lansing
1-7-67	74-76	L	Champaign
1-6-68	66-56	W	Champaign
3-9-68	59-62	L	East Lansing
2-15-69	70-75	L	East Lansing
3-4-69	71-57	W	Champaign
12-29-69	86-77	W	Portland, Ore.
2-24-70	74-67	W	East Lansing
3-7-70	76-81	L	Champaign
1-9-71	89-61	W	Champaign
1-16-71	69-67	W	East Lansing
2-8-72	79-89	L	East Lansing
2-24-73	81-71	W	Champaign
1-14-74	82-90	L	Champaign
1-28-74	82-93	L	East Lansing
2-1-75	60-75	L	Champaign
3-1-75	82-96	L	East Lansing
1-24-76	63-74	L	Champaign
2-21-76	59-69	L	East Lansing
1-20-77	58-67	L	East Lansing
3-5-77	61-62	L	Champaign
1-12-78	70-82	L	Champaign
2-25-78	67-89	L	East Lansing
1-11-79	57-55	W	Champaign
2-24-79	62-76	L	East Lansing
1-26-80	74-65	W	Champaign
2-2-80	59-68	L	East Lansing
1-29-81	71-70	W	East Lansing
2-21-81	82-62	W	Champaign
1-16-82	55-51	W	Champaign
2-25-82	47-56	L	East Lansing
1-27-83	78-71	W	East Lansing
2-19-83	69-61	W	Champaign
1-26-84	46-40	W	Champaign
2-19-84	70-53	W	East Lansing
1-12-85	75-63	W	Champaign
2-7-85	56-64	L	East Lansing
1-12-86	51-58	L	East Lansing
2-6-86	80-84	L	Champaign

Illini Head Coach Bruce Weber

Bruce Weber has led the Fighting Illini to the top of the national charts in just his second season at the helm of the Illinois program. After leading the Fighting Illini to their first outright Big Ten title since 1952 last season, Weber has had Illinois at No. 1 in the national polls for the majority of this season. Weber is the only coach in the history of the Big Ten Conference to win outright league titles in each of his first two seasons. He has led the Illini to a school-record 36 wins in 2004-05, with the Illini also claiming the Big Ten Tournament championship in addition to this year's regular season conference title. He has also led Illinois to its first Final Four appearance since 1989.

Weber has already won the Naismith and Henry Iba Coach of the Year Awards and has also been named national coach of the year by *The Sporting News*.

Weber became just the third coach in Big Ten history to win an outright title in his first season in the league in 2003-04, leading the Illini to 10 straight victories to end the regular season and claim the title.

Weber came to Illinois following five years at Southern Illinois where he led the Salukis to Missouri Valley Conference titles each of his last two seasons.

In his five seasons at SIU, Weber took the Saluki program to the top of the MVC, winning league titles in 2002 and 2003. He posted records of 28-8 and 24-7 in his last two seasons, leading the Salukis to back-to-back NCAA Tournament appearances including a run to the Sweet Sixteen in 2002 with wins over Texas Tech and Georgia at the United Center in Chicago. Weber earned Missouri Valley Conference Coach-of-the-Year honors following the 2003 season.

A 1978 graduate of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Weber spent 18 years as an assistant at Purdue under Gene Keady before moving to SIU.

He has helped teams make 19 NCAA Tournament appearances in 26 seasons as a collegiate coach, including one Final Four, one Elite Eight and four Sweet Sixteen appearances. Purdue won six Big Ten titles during his stop in West Lafayette.

Weber Career Record

All Games	.....	165-62 (.727)
at Illinois	.....	62-8 (.886)
Illinois, 2005	.....	36-1 (.973)
Southern Illinois, 1999-2003	103-54 (.656)
Assistant at Western Kentucky	21-8 (.724)
Assistant at Purdue	415-176 (.702)

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1-5-87	79-72	W	Champaign
3-7-87	77-64	W	East Lansing
1-9-88	77-62	W	Champaign
2-13-88	83-65	W	East Lansing
1-7-89	71-54	W	Champaign
2-16-89	75-56	W	East Lansing
1-18-90	73-64	W	Champaign
2-17-90	63-70	L	East Lansing
1-17-91	68-71	L	Champaign
2-16-91	58-62	L	East Lansing
1-11-92	75-77	L	East Lansing
3-7-92	80-71	W	Champaign
1-9-93	52-39	W	East Lansing
2-10-93	83-80	W	Champaign
1-8-94	74-79	L	East Lansing
2-9-94	72-64	W	Champaign
1-28-95	67-75	L	Champaign
2-15-95	58-68	L	East Lansing
1-6-96	58-68	L	Champaign
3-6-96	67-77	L	East Lansing
1-22-97	66-63	W	East Lansing
2-15-97	79-68	W	Champaign
1-17-98	64-68	L	East Lansing
2-12-98	84-63	W	Champaign
1-16-99	49-51	L	Champaign
2-11-99	44-61	L	East Lansing
3-7-99	50-67	L	Chicago
1-30-00	66-91	L	East Lansing
3-12-00	61-76	L	Chicago
2-6-01	77-66	W	Champaign
2-3-02	61-67	L	Champaign
2-12-02	63-61	W	East Lansing
2-3-03	65-68	L	East Lansing
2-18-03	70-40	W	Champaign
2-10-04	75-51	W	Champaign
2-1-05	83-71	W	East Lansing

- Illinois has posted a 17-0 record against the 13 NCAA Tournament teams it faced this season. Here is a breakdown against this year's tournament field:

11/19/04 Delaware State, W, 87-67
 11/24/04 Oakland, W, 85-54
 11/27/04 vs. Gonzaga, W, 89-72
 12/1/04 Wake Forest, W, 91-73
 12/31/04 vs. Cincinnati, W, 67-45

1/20/05	. . . . .	Iowa, W, 73-68 (OT)
1/25/05	. . . . .	at Wisconsin, W, 75-65
1/29/05	. . . . .	Minnesota, W, 89-66
2/1/05	. . . . .	at Michigan State, W, 81-68
2/12/05	. . . . .	Wisconsin, W, 70-59
2/19/05	. . . . .	at Iowa, W, 75-65
3/12/05	. . . . .	vs. Minnesota, W, 64-56
3/13/05	. . . . .	vs. Wisconsin, W, 54-43
3/17/05	. . . . .	vs. Farleigh Dickinson, W, 67-55
3/19/05	. . . . .	vs. Nevada, W, 71-59
3/24/05	. . . . .	vs. Wis.-Milwaukee, W, 77-63
3/26/05	. . . . .	vs. Arizona, W, 90-89 (OT)

- Deron Williams is the 12th leading scorer in this year's tournament, having totaled 66 points. Williams, meanwhile, leads the tournament field in assists and assists average, with 34 assists (8.5 avg.).
- James Augustine is the third leading rebounder in this year's tournament, having grabbed 41 rebounds.
- Current members of the Fighting Illini squad have played a total of 86 games in the NCAA Tournament with Luther Head leading the way with a school-record 12 appearances in NCAA postseason play. Roger Powell has played in 11 games, Nick Smith has played in 10 games, and James Augustine, Dee Brown, Jack Ingram and Deron Williams have each played in nine games. In addition to his seven NCAA games with the Illini, Ingram made two appearances at Tulsa as a sophomore in 2002 before transferring to Illinois. Rounding out the Illini roster, Rich McBride has played in seven games, Warren Carter in six, Brian Randle in two, and Shaun Pruitt and Fred Nkemdi in one.
- Illinois' all-time leading scorer in NCAA Tournament play is Frank Williams, who tallied 148 points in nine games (16.4 avg.). Dee Brown ranks second with 136 points (15.1 avg.), trailing Frank Williams by just 12 points for the school NCAA Tournament scoring record. Illinois has a total of four players on its current

roster who have scored 100 or more points in NCAA postseason play, led by Brown's 136 points. Joining him in that group are Deron Williams (128 pts.), Luther Head (121 pts.) and James Augustine (100 pts.).

- Illinois' all-time leading rebounder in NCAA Tournament play is junior James Augustine, who has pulled down 78 boards in nine games (8.7 avg.).
- Deron Williams is Illinois' career assists leader in NCAA Tournament play, with 62 assists in nine games (6.9 avg.). He has twice recorded 10 assists during this year's tournament, with 10 vs. Nevada in the second round and 10 vs. Arizona in the regional final.
- Ken Norman shot .632 (36-57) from the field and .833 (15-18) from the free-throw line in NCAA Tournament competition, the best figures among any Illini who played more than three tournament games.
- Seventeen different Fighting Illini players have recorded double-doubles in NCAA Tournament action on 22 different occasions. James Augustine has three double-doubles in this year's tournament, recording 11 points and a career-high 15 rebounds vs. Fairleigh Dickinson in the first round, a career-high 23 points and 10 rebounds vs. Nevada in the second round, and 11 points and 10 rebounds vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee in the regional semifinal. Deron Williams has two double-doubles in this year's tournament, with 15 points and 10 assists vs. Nevada in the second round and 22 points and 10 assists vs. Arizona in the regional final.
- Illinois competed in postseason play for a school-record 11 consecutive years from 1980-90, including eight consecutive years (1983-90) in the NCAA Tournament.
- The only Fighting Illini players to be named to the Final Four All-Tournament Team were John "Red" Kerr and James Bredar in 1952. They joined Kansas' Clyde Lovellette and Dean Kelley, and St. John's Bob Zawoluk and Ron MacGilvray on that all-star squad. Dike Eddleman (1949) was named to the 1939-40s All-Decade Team.

Illini in the NCAA Tournament - Recapping the Regional

- Illinois won the Chicago Regional at the Allstate Arena by defeating No. 12 Wisconsin-Milwaukee 77-63 on Thursday in the semifinal and storming back to beat No. 3 Arizona 90-89

Best Undefeated Starts in NCAA Div. I History

Rank	Year	School	Start	Final	Result of Season
1.	1991	UNLV	34-0	34-1	NCAA Final Four
2.	1979	Indiana State	33-0	33-1	NCAA Runner-Up
T3.	1957	North Carolina	32-0	Same	NCAA Champion
T3.	1976	Indiana	32-0	Same	NCAA Champion
T5.	1975	Indiana	31-0	31-1	NCAA Regional Finalist
T5.	1968	Houston	31-0	31-2	NCAA Final Four - 4th Place
T5.	1976	Rutgers	31-0	31-2	NCAA Final Four - 4th Place
T8.	1964	UCLA	30-0	Same	NCAA Champion
T8.	1967	UCLA	30-0	Same	NCAA Champion
T8.	1972	UCLA	30-0	Same	NCAA Champion
T8.	1973	UCLA	30-0	Same	NCAA Champion
T12.	2005	ILLINOIS	29-0	???	???
T12.	1956	San Francisco	29-0	Same	NCAA Champion

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Illini Record Under Bruce Weber:

	All	04-05
Plays at home	27-1	15-0
Plays on the road	15-3	8-1
Plays at neutral site	20-4	13-0
Plays at United Center	6-0	4-0
Big Ten record	28-4	15-1
Big Ten at home	14-1	7-0
Big Ten on the road	13-3	7-1
When Ranked	55-7	36-1
As No. 1	30-1	30-1
Plays a ranked opponent	12-5	9-0
Plays a Top-10 opponent	2-3	2-0
Vs. No. 1	1-0	1-0
Wins the game before	54-7	34-1
Loses the game before	6-1	1-0
Leading at the half	55-3	34-1
Trailing at the half	5-5	2-0
Tied at the half	2-0	0-0
Shoots 45% or better	44-1	26-0
Shoots less than 45%	18-7	10-1
Opp. shoots 45% or less	45-1	26-0
Opp. shoots better than 45% FG	17-7	10-1
Shoots better than opp.	49-0	29-0
Shoots worse than opp.	12-8	7-1
Shoots same as opp.	1-0	1-0
Shoots more FT than opp.	29-0	19-0
Shoots fewer FT than opp.	30-7	16-1
Shoots same number of FT	3-1	1-0
Makes more FT than opp.	33-1	23-0
Makes fewer FT than opp.	25-7	11-1
Makes same number of FT	4-0	2-0
Scores 70 or more points	47-1	27-0
Leads in rebounding	37-5	21-1
Trails in rebounding	21-3	12-0

When rebounding is tied	4-0	3-0
Scores more bench points	35-2	17-0
Scores fewer bench points	24-5	18-1
Scores same bench points	3-1	1-0
Has fewer TOs than opp.	51-2	31-0
Has equal or more TOs than opp.	11-6	5-1
Has 15+ assists	45-4	26-0
Wears white uniforms	25-2	12-0
Wears blue uniforms	5-3	0-0
Wears orange uniforms	32-3	24-1
Plays in tournaments	11-2	7-0
NCAA Tournament	6-1	4-0
In November	7-0	4-0
In December	15-2	10-0
In January	12-3	7-0
In February	14-0	7-0
In March	14-3	8-1
Plays during the day	29-4	16-1
Plays at night	33-4	20-0
Margin is 5 points or less	6-2	2-1
Margin is between 6-10	13-3	6-0
Margin is between 11-20	26-3	19-0
Margin is more than 20	17-0	9-0
Has a 20+ point scorer	30-2	18-0
Scores 59 points or less	3-4	2-0
Scores 60-69 points	12-3	7-1
Scores 70-79 points	21-0	11-0
Scores 80-89 points	17-1	10-0
Scores 90-99 points	8-0	5-0
Scores 100+ points	1-0	1-0
Overtime	4-0	2-0
On ESPN	14-2	9-0
On espn2	5-0	2-0
On CBS	15-3	9-1
On FOX Sports Net	2-0	2-0

in overtime on Saturday in the final.

- James Augustine recorded his third straight double-double against Wisconsin-Milwaukee with 11 points and 10 rebounds.
- Dee Brown and Deron Williams tied for team-high honors in scoring with 21 points apiece in the win over Wis.-Milwaukee.
- Illinois fought back from its largest deficit of the season, 15 points, to defeat Arizona in the regional final. The Illini trailed 75-60 with four minutes remaining, but closed with a furious 20-5 run to tie the game at 80 and send it to overtime.
- Deron Williams scored 22 points against Arizona, his second highest point total of the season, to lead the Illini. He recorded his third double-double of the season, with a game-high 10 assists in addition to his 22 points.
- Luther Head scored 20 points and played 39 minutes against the Wildcats, despite playing with a sore right hamstring.
- Illinois set a school record with 16 three-

pointers against Arizona, breaking the previous record of 15 treys which the Illini set twice earlier this season; vs. Penn State on Jan. 12 and vs. Purdue on March 3.

Williams Named Chicago Regional MOP; Head All-Regional Pick

Junior Deron Williams was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Chicago Regional on Saturday. He scored 21 points on 8-12 shooting against Wisconsin-Milwaukee and had eight assists. Williams then scored 22 points against Arizona, 18 of which came in the second half and overtime, hitting five 3-pointers against the Wildcats and leading Illinois' improbable comeback. Williams made it a double-double against the Wildcats, dishing out 10 assists in 44 minutes of play. In the two games, Williams averaged 21.5 points on 59 percent shooting and 9.0 assists.

Luther Head was also honored, earning recognition as a Chicago All-Regional Team selection. Despite playing on a sore hamstring

Illinois in the Big Ten Rankings

Illinois ranks among the top three in the Big Ten as a team in the following categories (as of March 28):

ALL GAMES

- 1st in scoring margin (+16.5 ppg)
- 1st in 3-point field goal percentage (.397)
- 1st in 3-pt. field goals per game (8.65)
- 1st in field goal percentage defense (.413)
- 1st in assists (18.59 apg)
- 1st in assist/turnover ratio (1.67)
- 1st in turnover margin (+4.11)
- 2nd in scoring offense (77.3 ppg)
- 2nd in field goal percentage (.487)
- 2nd in free throw percentage (.728)
- 2nd in scoring defense (60.8 ppg)
- 2nd in steals (7.78 spg)
- 3rd in rebounding margin (+2.7 rpg)
- 3rd in rebounding defense (31.4 rpg)

BIG TEN GAMES

- 1st in scoring offense (75.9 ppg)
- 1st in scoring defense (60.6 ppg)
- 1st in scoring margin (+15.4 ppg)
- 1st in 3-point field goal percentage (.413)
- 1st in 3-point field goals per game (9.06)
- 1st in assists (17.50 apg)
- 1st in assist/turnover ratio (1.75)
- 1st in turnover margin (+4.56)
- 2nd in field goal percentage (.485)
- 2nd in free throw percentage (.755)
- 2nd in rebounding defense (29.1 rpg)
- 3rd in steals (8.12 spg)
- 3rd in rebounding margin (+3.3 rpg)

throughout the weekend, Head played 33 minutes vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee and 39 minutes vs. Arizona. He had 12 points, six assists and two steals vs. Wis.-Milwaukee and 20 points and four steals vs. Arizona.

Illini Comeback Against Arizona One For The Ages

It's a good thing there have been countless television replays of Illinois' thrilling come-from-behind win Saturday over Arizona, because no Illini player or coach after the game was able to recall the details or what exactly transpired in the greatest comeback in school history. While it wasn't the largest comeback win in team annals – that would be a 21-point deficit (42-21) against Seton Hall on Dec. 9, 2000 that turned into an 87-79 win – this surely was the most significant, with a trip to the Final Four and Illinois' winningest season in school history on the line. The Illini, which entered the Arizona game having trailed in the second half just five times in 36 games and had never trailed by double figures at

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any point in the season, found themselves behind by 15 points, 75-60 with four minutes left. But what followed was an Orange and Blue blur, an amazing 20-5 run to tie the game and send it to overtime at 80-all. Below is the play-by-play recap of how the Illini fought back to tie the game:

3:50 - Deron Williams 3-pointer (63-75)
 3:26 - Two free throws by UA's Jawann McClellan (63-77)
 3:14 - Luther Head 3-pointer (66-77)
 2:43 - Dee Brown offensive rebound basket (68-77)
 1:18 - Luther Head steal and layup (70-77)
 1:15 - One of two free throws by UA's Jawann McClellan (70-78)
 1:08 - Deron Williams layup (72-78)
 1:03 - Two free throws by UA's Mustafa Shakur (72-80)
 0:54 - Luther Head 3-pointer (75-80)
 0:45 - Dee Brown steal and layup (77-80)
 0:39 - Jack Ingram steal and Deron Williams 3-pointer (80-80).

Illinois then took over in overtime, jumping out to a 90-84 lead after a layup by Roger Powell, a 3-pointer by Williams and steal and layup by Head. Arizona. The Wildcats later cut it to one and had the game's final possession, but Williams played solid defensive on Hassan Addams, who was forced to throw up a contested 3-pointer at the buzzer that missed.

Illini Continue to Climb Chart for Most Wins in a Season; Set Big Ten Record for Winningest Season

According to NCAA records that date back to 1938, Illinois is just the fifth team in Div. I history to record at least 36 wins in a season. Among those previous four teams, only Kentucky in 1948 won the NCAA Championship.

The NCAA record for wins in a season is 37, which has been accomplished by three teams: Duke in 1986 (37-3) and 1999 (37-2) and UNLV in 1987 (37-2). Following is the list of teams to reach victory-totals of 35 through 37 wins in a season:

	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>NCAA Result</u>
1.	37	Duke	1999	Runner-Up
	37	UNLV	1987	Final Four
	37	Duke	1986	Runner-Up
4.	36	Illinois	2005	???
	36	Kentucky	1948	Champion
5.	35	Duke	2001	Champion
	35	Kentucky	1998	Champion
	35	Kansas	1998	2nd Round
	35	Kentucky	1997	Runner-Up
	35	Massachusetts	1996	Final Four
	35	UNLV	1990	Champion
	35	Oklahoma	1988	Runner-Up
	35	Arizona	1988	Final Four

35 Kansas 1986 Final Four
 35 Georgetown 1985 Runner-Up
 Illinois has already set a Big Ten record for the winningest single-season in conference history with its 36 victories. This breaks the previous Big Ten mark of 33 wins set by Michigan State in 1998-99, when the Spartans finished 33-5 and advanced to the NCAA Final Four.

Illinois-Missouri Alumni Challenge Part of Final Four Festivities

In a prelude event to the Final Four, former Illini basketball greats will take on former Missouri standouts as part of the Alumni Challenge Rivalry Series on Friday, April 1 at the Savvis Center in St. Louis. The game, which is a new spin on the annual "Braggin' Rights" game between the Illini and the Tigers, is part of a tripleheader at the Savvis Center that begins with a St. Louis High School Alumni Challenge featuring Cardinal Ritter H.S. vs. Desmet H.S. at 5:30 p.m. The Illini and Missouri alumni take center stage at 7 p.m., with former coaches Lou Henson and Norm Stewart patrolling the sidelines for their respective schools. The evening concludes with the NABC Coaches All-Stars, a collection of the nation's top college seniors, taking on the Harlem Globetrotters at 8:30 p.m.

Some of the Illinois alumni scheduled to play in the game include Kendall Gill, Kenny Battle, Stephen Bardo, Marcus Liberty, Sergio McClain, Lucas Johnson, Richard Keene and Doug Altenberger.

Tickets for the event are on sale through the Illinois and Missouri ticket offices as well as the Savvis Center Ticket Office and Ticketmaster.

Weber Wins Naismith Award

Bruce Weber has been named the Naismith Men's College Coach of the Year presented by Coca-Cola, the Atlanta Tipoff Club announced on Thursday, March 24. The Naismith Award, presented annually to the men's and women's college basketball coaches of the year, is the most prestigious national award in college basketball. Weber will be recognized at the Naismith Awards Banquet on April 8 in Atlanta.

Weber was selected by the Atlanta Tipoff Club's Board of Selectors, a collection of leading basketball journalists, coaches and administrators from around the country, based on his coaching performance this season.

Three Illini Players Earn All-America Honors from Associated Press

In a record-setting season, Illinois again made history by having three players named to the Associated Press All-America teams, announced last Tuesday. Dee Brown and Luther Head were named to the second team, while Deron Williams was cho-

Week-by-Week Rankings

	<u>AP</u>	<u>ESPN/USA Today</u>
Preseason	5	5
Nov. 15	6	5
Nov. 22	5	4
Nov. 29	5	3
Dec. 6	1	1
Dec. 13	1	1
Dec. 20	1	1
Dec. 27	1	1
Jan. 3	1	1
Jan. 10	1	1
Jan. 17	1	1
Jan. 24	1	1
Jan. 31	1	1
Feb. 7	1	1
Feb. 14	1	1
Feb. 21	1	1
Feb. 28	1	1
March 7	1	1
March 14	1	1

National Polls

(March 14)	(March 14)
<u>AP</u>	<u>ESPN/USA Today</u>
1. ILLINOIS (72)	1. ILLINOIS (31)
2. North Carolina	2. Duke
3. Duke	3. North Carolina
4. Louisville	4. Louisville
5. Wake Forest	5. Kentucky
6. Oklahoma State	6. Wake Forest
7. Kentucky	7. Washington
8. Washington	8. Oklahoma State
9. Arizona	9. Arizona
10. Gonzaga	10. Kansas
11. Syracuse	11. Gonzaga
12. Kansas	12. Boston College
13. Connecticut	13. Syracuse
14. Boston College	14. Connecticut
15. Michigan State	15. Michigan State
16. Florida	16. Oklahoma
17. Oklahoma	17. Utah
18. Utah	18. Florida
19. Villanova	19. Wisconsin
20. Wisconsin	20. Pacific
21. Alabama	21. Alabama
22. Pacific	22. Villanova
23. Cincinnati	23. Cincinnati
24. Texas Tech	24. Texas Tech
25. Georgia Tech	25. Georgia Tech

Illini opponents in bold

sen to the third team. Illinois was the only school to have three players earn placement on the three All-America Teams. Brown and Head, meanwhile, are the first UI players to earn second-team AP All-America honors since Ken Norman in 1987.

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Illinois Career Totals		
	2004-05	Career
Double-Digit Scoring Games		
Dee Brown	29	70
Luther Head	34	61
Roger Powell	25	57
Deron Williams	24	53
James Augustine	23	48
Nick Smith	0	17
Rich McBride	0	2
Jack Ingram	1	1
Brian Randle	0	1
20+ Point Games		
Dee Brown	4	13
Luther Head	10	11
Deron Williams	5	10
Roger Powell	2	8
James Augustine	2	3
Nick Smith	0	1
Rich McBride	0	1
10+ Rebound Games		
James Augustine	8	20
Roger Powell	4	6
Luther Head	0	1
Brian Randle	0	1
10+ Assist Games		
Deron Williams	5	8
Dee Brown	2	5
3+ Steal Games		
Dee Brown	11	25
Luther Head	8	18
Deron Williams	3	16
James Augustine	4	8
Roger Powell	2	5
Jack Ingram	3	3
Rich McBride	0	2
Brian Randle	0	2
5+ 3-Point FG Games		
Dee Brown	5	11
Luther Head	4	6
Deron Williams	2	4
Rich McBride	0	1
Double-Doubles		
James Augustine	6	16
Roger Powell	4	6
Deron Williams	3	6
Dee Brown	1	2
Luther Head	0	1
Starts		
Dee Brown	36	100
James Augustine	36	98
Deron Williams	36	95
Roger Powell	36	86
Luther Head	36	81
Nick Smith	0	15
Brian Randle	0	9

Brown and Weber Earn Sporting News National Awards

Dee Brown has been named National Player of the Year by *The Sporting News*, while the magazine has also tabbed Bruce Weber as its National Coach of the Year, the publication announced last Tuesday.

Brown was also a first-team All-America selection, while Deron Williams was named a second-team All-American by the magazine.

Illini in the NCAA Tournament - Recapping the 1st & 2nd Rounds

- Illinois advanced to its fourth NCAA Sweet 16 in the last five years after a successful weekend in Indianapolis which featured a 67-55 win over Fairleigh Dickinson in the first round followed by a 71-59 victory over Nevada in the second round.
- Dee Brown scored 19 points on 7-10 shooting, Luther Head had 13 points, and James Augustine had a double-double with 11 points and a career-high 15 rebounds to lead the Illini over Fairleigh Dickinson.
- Augustine was one of four Illini to reach double figures, exploding for a career-high 23 points on 9-11 shooting, in the win over Nevada. He also had 10 rebounds for his fifth double-double of the season.

- Deron Williams had 15 points and 10 assists to also notch a double-double against Nevada, while Luther Head had 14 and Jack Ingram came off the bench to score a career-high 12 points on 6-7 shooting.
- Illinois' defense was suffocating during the first two rounds, allowing an average of just 57 points and 38.7 shooting by its two opponents.
- James Augustine averaged 17 points and 12.5 rebounds and shot 68.8 percent (11-16) in the two wins.

• The Illini trailed for just 15 seconds out of 80 total minutes during the first and second rounds. Illinois' lone deficit during the weekend came when it fell behind Fairleigh Dickinson 20-19 at the 7:26 mark of the first half, before taking the lead back for good at 21-20 with 7:11 left. The Illini never trailed against Nevada.

- The attendance at the RCA Dome on Saturday for Illinois' game vs. Nevada (and the Kentucky-Cincinnati game that followed) totaled 40,331, setting an NCAA Tournament attendance record for the First or Second Round.

Weber wins Henry Iba Award

Head Coach Bruce Weber has been named the winner of the 2005 Henry Iba Award, presented annually by the U.S. Basketball Writers Association to the national college basketball coach of the year. Weber becomes the first Illinois coach to receive the award since the USBWA began selecting a coach of the year in 1959.

Weber will be presented the Iba Award at a breakfast on Friday, April 1 at the Missouri Athletic Club in St. Louis. The breakfast is open to the public with tickets priced at \$65 per person. For more information, including how to purchase tickets, contact the Missouri Athletic Club at 314-231-7220.

Illini Secure Winningest Season in School History

With its 36 victories, Illinois has set a school record for wins in a season. The previous Illini record was 31 wins, set by the 1988-89 Flyin' Illini squad which advanced to the NCAA Final Four and finished the year with a record of 31-5. Following are the winningest seasons in school history, in terms of total wins:

Rank	Season	Wins	Record
1.	2004-05	36	36-1 (.973)
2.	1988-89	31	31-5 (.861)
3.	2000-01	27	27-8 (.771)
T4.	2003-04	26	26-7 (.788)
T4.	2001-02	26	26-9 (.743)
T4.	1984-85	26	26-9 (.743)
T4.	1983-84	26	26-5 (.838)
8.	2002-03	25	25-7 (.781)

Brown Named USBWA First-Team All-American; Head named to Second Team Illinois had two players recognized on the 2005 U.S. Basketball Writers Association All-America Teams. Dee Brown was selected to the 5-player first team, while Luther Head was named to the 5-player second team.

Brown is joined on the first team by Utah's Andrew Bogut, Wake Forest's Chris Paul, Duke's J.J. Redick and Kansas' Wayne Simien.

Joining head on the second team are Arizona State's Ike Diogu, North Carolina's Sean May, Arizona's Salim Stoudamire and Syracuse's Hakim Warrick.

Illini Guards All Named Second-Team All-Americans by NABC

Illinois' entire starting backcourt was voted to the All-America Second Team as selected by the National Association of Basketball Coaches, with Deron Williams, Dee Brown and Luther Head all receiving recognition. The NABC picks a 5-player first team, second team and third team, with 15 total players receiving All-America honors. Illinois was the only school to have multiple players named to the NABC All-America Teams.

Illini Ranked No. 1 in Final Associated Press Poll

For just the third year in school history – and for the 15th straight poll – Illinois is the No. 1-ranked team in the nation. The Illini's 15 consec-

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utive polls at No. 1 is the longest streak by any team in eight years, since Kansas owned the top spot for the final 15 weeks of the 1996-97 season.

The Illini were unanimously voted No. 1 in the poll released on March 14, which is the final AP poll of the season. This is the first time in school history that the Illini have been ranked No. 1 in the final AP poll. Previously, Illinois' best final ranking was No. 2 in 1952. The Illini are also the first Big Ten team to be ranked No. 1 in the final AP poll since Indiana in 1993.

This has been the first season in school history that the Illini have been ranked first for more than one week. Prior to this season, the last time Illinois was ranked No. 1 was the week of Jan. 23-29, 1989. The UI first appeared No. 1 in the Associated Press poll for a week during the final week of the regular season in January, 1952. In each of the three seasons when the Illini have achieved a No. 1 ranking, they have gone on to advance to the NCAA Final Four.

Recapping the Big Ten Tournament

- Illinois entered the Big Ten Tournament as a No. 1 seed for the third time in tournament history, and went on to win the championship. This marked Illinois' second conference tournament title, along with winning the 2003 tournament. Illinois became just the second No. 1 seed to win the tournament – along with Michigan State in 1999 – and joined the Spartans as the only team to win both the outright regular season Big Ten title as well as the conference tournament in the same season. MSU first accomplished the feat in 1999.
- Now with two tournament championships, Illinois is just the second Big Ten school to become a multiple-time winner of the tournament, joining Michigan State, who claimed back-to-back tournament titles in 1999 and 2000.
- Illinois held its opponents (Northwestern, Minnesota and Wisconsin) to 32.5 percent shooting (53-163) during the Big Ten Tournament and allowed an average of just 50 points per game. The Illini also forced 46 turnovers during the three-game stretch, (15.3 avg.) and outrebounded the opposition by an average of 6.7 rebounds.
- Illinois has the most all-time Big Ten Tournament wins (16) and the best all-time Big Ten Tournament winning percentage (.727, 16-6).
- Illinois has the most Big Ten championship game appearances, having advanced to the title game five times in eight tournaments, including the last three years.
- Illinois is the only school to advance to the Big Ten Tournament semifinals every year in the 8-year history of the event.
- Illinois' entire starting lineup has now earned

2004-05 Fighting Illini Starters

Game	G	G	G	F	C
All 37 Games this Season:	Brown	Williams	Head	Powell	Augustine

Big Ten All-Tournament Team honors during his respective career. Roger Powell, Jr. was honored in 2003, and Dee Brown and Deron Williams were both honored last year. Luther Head was named to this year's All-Tournament Team, while James Augustine was named the Tournament's Most Outstanding Player.

Augustine Big Ten Tournament MOP; Head named to All-Tournament Team

Junior James Augustine was a consistent force in leading the Illini to the Big Ten Tournament title. For his efforts, he was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player. Augustine averaged a double-double of 12.7 points and 10.3 rebounds while shooting 73.7 percent from the field (14-19). He led the Illini in scoring against Northwestern, totaling 15 points with eight boards. He recorded a double-double in the quarterfinals vs. Minnesota with 11 points and 14 rebounds. He finished with 12 points, nine boards and three blocks in the title game vs. Wisconsin.

Luther Head earned All-Tournament Team honors after leading the Illini with 40 points (13.3 avg). He also averaged 5.7 rebounds and had 11 assists on the weekend. Head had 14 points vs. Northwestern, a team-high 14 vs. Minnesota and 12 vs. Wisconsin.

Brown Sweeps Big Ten Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year Honors
 Junior Dee Brown was named Big Ten Player of the Year by both the coaches and the media on March 8, and was also honored as the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year by the league coaches. Brown is the third Illini player in the last five years to be chosen as the Big Ten Player of the Year, joining Frank Williams (2001) and Brian Cook (2003). He is only the third UI player ever to be named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year, joining Bruce Douglas (1985 and 1986) and Stephen Bardo (1989).

Brown has pulled off a rare feat by sweeping both awards this year. He is just the third Big Ten player since the conference began honoring a defensive player of the year in 1984 to be named both Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year in the same season, joining Michigan's Gary Grant (1988) and Minnesota's Bobby Jackson (1997).

Three UI Guards Named First-Team All-Big Ten

Illinois had three players named to the 5-player

All-Big Ten first team (coaches and media) announced on March 8 in junior Dee Brown, senior Luther Head and junior Deron Williams. The Illini backcourt trio has joined exclusive company by earning first-team accolades. This marks the first time since 1975, and just the fifth time since World War II, that at least three players from the same team have been placed on the All-Big Ten first team. It is the third time in school history that it has happened. Paul Judson, George Bon Salle and Bill Ridley all earned first-team recognition for the Illini in 1956, while Gene Vance, Jack Smiley and Art Mathisen were the first UI trio to accomplish the feat in 1943.

This is the second straight first-team All-Big Ten selection for Williams. He becomes the first Illini player since Frank Williams in 2001 and 2002 to make the first team in consecutive seasons.

Weber Named Big Ten Coach of the Year
 Bruce Weber was honored by the media for directing Illinois' outstanding season by being named the 2005 Big Ten Coach of the Year. Weber is just the second Illini coach to ever earn the honor. Since the award began in 1973, Lou Henson was the school's only other honoree, in 1993. Under the direction of Weber this season, the Illini have won a school-record 36 games, which included 29 straight wins to start the year, tying the 12th best start in NCAA Div. I history and the third best start in Big Ten history. Illinois won its second straight outright Big Ten championship this year with a 15-1 league record, tying the best record since the conference went to a 16-game schedule in 1998. Along with last year's conference championship, Weber is now the first coach in the 100-year history of Big Ten basketball to win consecutive outright titles in each of his first two seasons.

Illinois' Three Guards Named Finalists for Wooden Award

Illinois leads the nation with three players named to the official ballot for the Wooden Award All-America Team and Player of the Year. The Wooden Award Committee has selected 23 players as finalists for the award, which includes Illinois' Dee Brown, Luther Head and Deron Williams. A national panel of over 1,000 voters comprised of sports media and college basketball experts will vote for the 10-member Wooden All-America Team as well as the Wooden Award Player of the Year. The winner be announced on April 9 at Noon CT during a CBS telecast of the

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Wooden Award ceremony from the Los Angeles Athletic Club.

Head Named Rupp Award Finalist

Illini senior Luther Head is one of 10 finalists for the Adolph Rupp Trophy, presented by the Commonwealth Athletic Club of Kentucky. Joining Head as finalists for the Rupp Player of the Year Award are Andrew Bogut (Utah), Ike Diogu (Arizona State), Joey Graham (Oklahoma State), Sean May and Rashad McCants (North Carolina), Chris Paul (Wake Forest), J.J. Redick (Duke), Wayne Simien (Kansas) and Hakim Warrick (Syracuse). The finalists have been chosen by a committee of coaches, administrators and journalists. A 5-player Rupp All-America Team will be announced at the conclusion of the regular season, and the winner of the Rupp Trophy will be announced on March 31 in St. Louis.

Weber Named Finalist for Jim Phelan Coach of the Year

Bruce Weber has been named one of 10 finalists for the Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year, which is presented by CollegeInsider.com. The voting is done by a 21-member panel made up of current and retired head coaches, athletic administrators and members of the media. In addition to Weber, other finalists are Ray Giacoletti (Utah), Bobby Lutz (Charlotte), Bruce Pearl (Wisconsin-Milwaukee), Skip Prosser (Wake Forest), Al Skinner (Boston College), Tubby Smith (Kentucky), Bob Thomason (Pacific), Ralph Willard (Holy Cross) and Roy Williams (North Carolina). The winner will be announced on April 1 in St. Louis.

Illini Trio Named Finalists for Oscar Robertson Player of the Year

Illinois leads the way with three players named to the list of 16 finalists for the Oscar Robertson Player of the Year, as voted on by the U.S. Basketball Writers Association. Starting guards Dee Brown, Deron Williams and Luther Head all appear on the USBWA ballot for the Oscar Robertson Trophy, which will be awarded on April 1 in St. Louis.

Illini Nation's Second Winningest Team over Past Five Seasons

Illinois ranks as the second-winningest team in the nation over the past five seasons in terms of total wins, and ranks third nationally over that same time span in terms of winning percentage. Illinois has reeled off 140 victories since the beginning of the 2000-01 season, which trails only Duke. Illinois' .814 winning percentage over the same time period trails just Duke and Gonzaga. Following is a list of the five winningest teams (ranked by total wins) over the past five years:

	<u>School</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
1.	Duke	150	150-27	.847
2.	ILLINOIS	140	140-32	.814
3.	Kansas	136	136-35	.795
T4.	Gonzaga	133	133-28	.826
T4.	Kentucky	133	133-34	.796

Illini Final Undefeated Squad of Season

Illinois was the last NCAA Div. I team in the country to boast a perfect record at 29-0 before losing March 6 at Ohio State. Illinois now has 36 victories, which is the highest win-total in the nation this season and tied for the fourth most in NCAA history.

Weber Makes History as Illini Clinch Second Straight Outright Big Ten Championship

Following Michigan State's loss at Indiana on Feb. 27, Illinois clinched its second straight outright Big Ten title. This is the program's fourth Big Ten title in the last five years and fifth in the last eight years, and is the 17th conference championship in school history for the Illini.

This is first time in 53 years and the third time in school history that the Illini have won back-to-back outright league championships, along with 1942 & 1943 and 1951 & 1952. Illinois becomes the first Big Ten team to win back-to-back outright titles since Purdue won three straight outright titles from 1994 through 1996.

Bruce Weber has also entered the record books, becoming the first coach in the 100-year history of Big Ten basketball to win consecutive outright championships in each of his first two seasons.

Illini Winning Streaks Snapped at OSU

Illinois had two of the longest NCAA Div. I winning streaks snapped in a 65-64 loss at Ohio State on March 6. The Illini's 29-game winning streak was the longest winning streak in the nation, and Illinois' 14-game road winning streak was the longest road winning streak in the nation. Illinois won its last six road games last year and had won its first eight road games this season.

Illini in Midst of Record-Setting Season

Illinois' record of 29-0 to begin the season set a school record for the best start to a season in the 100-year history of Fighting Illini basketball. The 29 straight wins also ranked as the longest winning streak in school history, breaking the previ-

The Last Time.....

AN ILLINOIS PLAYER HAD

35+ points	Kevin Turner (35) vs. Indiana, 1/3/98
30-34 points	Deron Williams (31) vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04
25+ points	Dee Brown (27) vs. Purdue, 3/4/05
20+ rebounds	Nick Weatherspoon (22) vs. DePauw, 12/2/72
15-19 rebounds	James Augustine (15) vs. Nevada, 3/19/05
15+ assists	Tony Wysinger (16) vs. Pittsburgh, 12/6/86
10-14 assists	Deron Williams (10) vs. Arizona, 3/26/05
7+ steals	Kendall Gill (7) vs. Iowa, 3/4/90
6 steals	Luther Head vs. Iowa, 1/20/05
5+ blocks	James Augustine (5) vs. Arkansas, 12/6/03
Triple-Double	Sergio McClain (10p, 11r, 11a) vs. Mich, 1/13/01

AN ILLINOIS TEAM HAD

100+ points	105 vs. Longwood, 12/27/04
under 50 points	44 vs. Michigan State, 2/11/99
under 40 points	34 vs. Purdue, 1/30/85
over 50 rebounds	52 vs. Illinois-Chicago, 12/30/03
over 20 off. reb.	24 vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff, 11/27/02
overtime	W (90-89) vs. Arizona, 3/26/05

AN OPPONENT PLAYER HAD

35+ points	Shawn Respert (35) Michigan State, 2/15/95
30-34 points	Joah Tucker (32) Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
25-29 points	Matt Sylvester (25) Ohio State, 3/6/05
20+ rebounds	Joe Franklin (23) Wisconsin, 12/19/66
15-19 rebounds	Reggie Evans (15) Iowa, 1/11/01
15+ assists	never, Quinn Buckner (14) Indiana, 2/18/74
10-14 assists	Vince Greene (10) Illinois State, 1/3/04
7+ steals	Pat Baldwin (7) Northwestern, 3/2/91
5+ blocks	Channing Frye (6) Arizona, 3/26/05

AN OPPONENT TEAM HAD

100+ points	108 by Missouri, 12/22/93
under 50 points	43 by Wisconsin, 3/13/05
under 40 points	37 by Penn State, 1/21/04
over 50 rebounds	50 by Delaware State, 11/25/96
over 20 off. reb.	21 by Arkansas, 12/6/03

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ous mark of 25 consecutive wins that spanned parts of three seasons from Feb. 21, 1914, through Feb. 9, 1916

Illinois' 29-0 mark was also the third best start ever by a Big Ten team, and was the best start by a Big Ten team in 29 years, since Indiana went a perfect 32-0 during the 1975-76 season. The following is a list of the all-time best starts by Big Ten teams.

Rank	School	Start	Season
1.	Indiana	32-0 *	1975-76
2.	Indiana	31-0	1974-75
3.	Illinois	29-0	2004-05
4.	Ohio State	27-0	1960-61
5.	Ohio State	22-0	1961-62
6.	Iowa	18-0	1986-87
T7.	Ohio State	17-0	1990-91
T7.	Illinois	17-0	1988-89

* Indiana went undefeated during the 1975-76 season.

Big Ten Streakin'

Illinois won a school-record 25 straight Big Ten games – its final 10 conference games last season and the first 15 this season. Illinois' 25-game Big Ten winning streak broke the school's previous best mark of 17-straight Big Ten wins from Feb. 21, 1914 through Feb. 9, 1916. The following are the Illini's all-time best Big Ten winning streaks:

- 25 - Feb. 3, 2004 - March 3, 2005
- 17 - Feb. 21, 1914 through Feb. 9, 1916
- 15 - Jan. 20, 1951 through Feb. 2, 1952
- 14 - March 7, 1942 through Jan. 3, 1944
- 13 - Feb. 26, 1955 through Feb. 20, 1956
- 13 - Feb. 23, 1924 through Feb. 21, 1925

Illinois' 25-game conference winning streak ranked third in Big Ten history and was the longest since Indiana won a league-record 37 straight Big Ten games from Dec. 27, 1975 through Jan. 7, 1978. Ranking second on the list is Ohio State's 27-game Big Ten winning streak from March 5, 1960 through Feb. 26, 1962.

Illinois also set a school record with a streak of 13 straight Big Ten road victories – its final six conference away games last season and its first seven this season. This broke the previous school-record streak of eight straight Big Ten road wins, which happened twice. The Illini won eight straight conference road games from Feb. 21, 1914 through Feb. 9, 1916 and again from Feb. 5, 1951 through Feb. 2, 1952.

Big Ten Near-Perfection

With a 15-0 start in Big Ten play, Illinois recorded its most wins ever to start a conference season. The Illini had twice won its first 12 Big Ten games, with a pair of undefeated conference runs in 1915 and 1943.

This was the best conference start by any Big Ten team in 29 years, since Indiana went a perfect

18-0 in 1976. The following are the Illini's all-time best Big Ten starts:

Rank	Start	Season
1.	15-0	2004-05
T2.	12-0 *	1914-15
T2.	12-0 *	1942-43
4.	10-0	1955-56
T5.	7-0	1941-42
T5.	7-0	1924-25

* Illinois went unbeaten in Big Ten play during the 1942-43 and 1914-15 seasons.

Illini Tie Winningest Big Ten Season in School History

With its 15 Big Ten victories this season, Illinois tied its winningest Big Ten season in school history in terms of total wins. This year's run equaled the school record for Big Ten wins in a season, set by the 1984 Illini squad, which won 15 contests en route to a Big Ten co-championship with a 15-3 league record. Illinois also recorded its most Big Ten wins since the league went to a 16-game conference schedule in 1998 due to the Big Ten Tournament. Following are the winningest Big Ten seasons in school history, in terms of total wins (* marks season in which Illini also won the Big Ten title):

Rank	Season	Wins	Record
T1.	2004-05 *	15	15-1 (.938)
T1.	1983-84 *	15	15-3 (.833)
T3.	1988-89	14	14-4 (.778)
T3.	1952-53	14	14-4 (.778)
T5.	2003-04 *	13	13-3 (.813)
T5.	2000-01 *	13	13-3 (.813)
T5.	1997-98 *	13	13-3 (.813)
T5.	1986-87	13	13-5 (.722)
T5.	1950-51 *	13	13-1 (.929)
T5.	1941-42 *	13	13-2 (.867)

About the Illini Senior Class

Illinois' five seniors rank among the most decorated players in Illini basketball history and are all taking care of business in the classroom. Consider the following athletic and academic accomplishments of Illinois' 2005 senior class:

- **Fred Nkemdi** has been a walk-on for the past two seasons and has won a pair of Big Ten championships as well as a Big Ten Tournament title. He will earn a degree in political science this May and plans to enroll in law school following graduation.
- **Jack Ingram** transferred to Illinois after playing his first two seasons at Tulsa. He has won a pair of Big Ten championships and two Big Ten tournament titles in the past three seasons. An Academic All-Big Ten honoree, Ingram will earn a degree in electrical engineering this May.
- **Roger Powell, Jr. and Luther Head** are wrap-

UI Career Records to Watch

Points

1.	Deon Thomas, 1991-94	2,129
2.	Kiwane Garris, 1994-97	1,948
3.	Brian Cook, 2000-03	1,748
4.	Cory Bradford, 1999-02	1,735
5.	Eddie Johnson, 1978-81	1,692
14.	Kendall Gill, 1987-90	1,409
15.	Ken Norman, 1985-87	1,393
16.	Dave Downey, 1961-63	1,360
17.	Dee Brown, 2003-	1,322
18.	John Kerr, 1952-54	1,299
19.	Doug Altenberger, 1983-87	1,271
20.	Bruce Douglas, 1983-86	1,261
21.	Luther Head, 2002-	1,254
22.	Lowell Hamilton, 1986-89	1,241
23.	Rich Adams, 1975-78	1,223
24.	Anthony Welch, 1982-86	1,217
25.	Audie Matthews, 1975-78	1,210
26.	Nick Anderson, 1988-89	1,172
27.	Skip Thoren, 1963-65	1,164
28.	Kevin Turner, 1995-98	1,150
29.	Roger Powell, 2002-	1,149
30.	Richard Keene, 1993-96	1,145
31.	James Griffin, 1979-82	1,124
32.	Tal Brody, 1963-65	1,121
33.	Bill Burwell, 1961-63	1,119
34.	Kenny Battle, 1988-89	1,112
35.	Rick Schmidt, 1973-75	1,105
36.	Deron Williams, 2003-	1,089
37.	Greg Jackson, 1969-71	1,078
38.	Paul Judson, 1954-56	1,013
39.	Govener Vaughn, 1958-60	1,001

Three-Point Field Goals

1.	Cory Bradford, 1999-02	327
2.	Richard Keene, 1993-96	237
3.	Dee Brown, 2003-	217
4.	Luther Head, 2002-	198
5.	Sean Harrington, 2000-03	191
6.	Kiwane Garris, 1994-97	189
7.	Kevin Turner, 1995-98	179
8.	Matt Heldman, 1995-98	161
9.	Deron Williams, 2003-	159

Assists

1.	Bruce Douglas, 1983-86	765
2.	Deron Williams, 2003-	578
3.	Kiwane Garris, 1994-97	502
4.	Stephen Bardo, 1987-90	495
5.	Dee Brown, 2003-	472

Steals

1.	Bruce Douglas, 1983-86	324
2.	Kendall Gill, 1987-90	218
3.	Frank Williams, 2000-02	212
4.	Sergio McClain, 1998-2001	210
5.	Derek Harper, 1981-83	178
6.	Dee Brown, 2003-	174
7t.	Kenny Battle, 1988-89	161
7t.	Mark Smith, 1978-81	161
9.	Luther Head, 2002-	154

Blocked Shots

1.	Deon Thomas, 1991-94	177
2.	Derek Holcomb, 1979-81	174
3.	James Griffin, 1979-82	156
4.	Brian Cook, 2000-03	136
5.	James Augustine, 2003-	115
6.	Efrem Winters, 1983-86	103
7.	Nick Smith, 2002-	99

Field Goal Percentage

1.	James Augustine, 2003-	.619 (359-580)
2.	Ken Norman, 1985-87	.609 (558-916)
3.	Deon Thomas, 1991-94	.601 (803-1336)
4.	Kenny Battle, 1988-89	.591 (415-702)
5.	Roger Powell, Jr., 2002-	.572 (443-774)

Three-Point Field Goal Percentage

1.	Doug Altenberger, 1983-87	.475 (76-160)
2.	Tony Wysinger, 1984-87	.467 (29-60)
3.	Stephen Bardo, 1987-90	.455 (61-134)
4.	Tom Michael, 1991-94	.449 (149-332)
5.	Sean Harrington, 2000-03	.428 (191-446)
6.	Matt Heldman, 1995-98	.405 (161-398)
7.	Roger Powell, Jr., 2002-	.389 (44-113)
8.	Cory Bradford, 1999-2002	.388 (327-843)
9.	Richard Keene, 1993-96	.384 (237-617)
10.	Luther Head, 2002-	.381 (198-520)

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ping up their careers as four-year letterwinners. The Illini have compiled a record of 113-24 (.825), have won three Big Ten championships and two Big Ten Tournament championships during their tenure. Powell will earn a degree in speech communications this May, while Head will complete his coursework in sports management this May and will need only a summer internship to earn his bachelor's degree.

• Nick Smith owns the most Big Ten titles of any player ever to suit up in an Illini basketball uniform. During his five years, the Illini have gone 140-32 (.814), have won four Big Ten championships and two Big Ten Tournament championships. A three-time Academic All-Big Ten selection, Smith has already earned a bachelor's degree in finance and will earn his master's degree in finance this May.

In addition to their career accomplishments, these five seniors have helped take the program to new heights this year, with the team in the midst of a record-setting season with its current 36-1 overall record, Big Ten regular season and tournament titles, No. 1 ranking in the national polls for 15 consecutive weeks, and advancement to the NCAA Tournament's Final Four.

Illinois' Three Guards Named First-Team All-District by NABC

Illinois had its entire starting backcourt named First-Team All-District for District 11 by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) on Feb. 18. Deron Williams, Luther Head and Dee Brown were all first-team selections, joined by Wisconsin's Mike Wilkinson and Minnesota's Vincent Grier.

Home Cookin'

Illinois will carry a 21-game winning streak at the Assembly Hall into next season, which ranks fourth in the nation among active homecourt winning streaks ... Illinois is 66-2 (.971) at the Assembly Hall over the last five years, with the only losses coming to Michigan State on Feb. 3, 2002 and to Purdue on Jan. 10, 2004 ... The Boilermakers broke a 23-game Illini winning streak at the Hall that at the time ranked fourth in the nation ... Illinois is 78-3 (.963) at the Assembly Hall over the past six seasons, the best home mark in the nation over that period ... The Illini have also won 38 in a row at the Assembly Hall against non-conference opponents ... Illinois has won 43 of its last 45 (.956) Big Ten games at the Assembly Hall ... Below is a look at Illinois' home record the past six seasons:

Year	Overall	Big Ten
2004-05	15-0	8-0
2003-04	12-1	7-1
2002-03	14-0	7-0

Illini Honors 2004-05

James Augustine

- Big Ten Tournament Most Outstanding Player
- Third-Team All-Big Ten (Media and Coaches)
- Big Ten Player of the Week - Jan. 10
- Big Ten Player of the Week - Jan. 31

Dee Brown

- *Sporting News* National Player of the Year
- USBWA First-Team All-American
- *Sporting News* First-Team All-American
- Sports Illustrated.com First-Team All-American
- CBS Sportsline.com First-Team All-American
- *Associated Press* Second-Team All-American
- NABC Second-Team All-American
- *Basketball Times* Second-Team All-American
- Rivals.com Second-Team All-American
- Scout.com Third-Team All-American
- Big Ten Player of the Year (Media and Coaches)
- Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year
- First-Team All-Big Ten (Media and Coaches)
- Oscar Robertson Player of the Year Finalist
- Wooden Award Finalist
- Midseason Naismith Award Candidate
- Dick Vitale's All-Rolls Royce Fourth Team
- *Chicago Tribune* Silver Basketball Winner (Big Ten MVP)
- USBWA District Player of the Year
- USBWA All-District
- NABC All-District First-Team
- Dick Vitale's First-Team All-Big Ten
- Big Ten Player of the Week - Feb. 21
- Big Ten Player of the Week - Nov. 22
- Las Vegas Holiday Classic All-Tournament Team
- Preseason Wooden Award Candidate
- Preseason Naismith Award Candidate
- First-Team Preseason All-Big Ten - Media

Luther Head

- NCAA Chicago Regional All-Tournament Team
- CollegeInsider.com All-American
- Scout.com First-Team All-American
- *Associated Press* Second-Team All-American
- USBWA Second-Team All-American
- NABC Second-Team All-American
- *Basketball Times* Third-Team All-American
- First-Team All-Big Ten (Media and Coaches)
- Oscar Robertson Player of the Year Finalist
- Wooden Award Finalist
- Rupp Award Finalist
- Midseason Naismith Award Candidate
- Sports Illustrated.com Honorable Mention All-American
- Rivals.com Honorable Mention All-American
- USBWA All-District
- NABC All-District First-Team
- Big Ten MVP by Collegeinsider.com
- Dick Vitale's First-Team All-Big Ten
- Big Ten Player of the Week - Jan. 17
- Las Vegas Holiday Classic Tournament MVP
- Dick Vitale's All-Blenders (best at blending in

and helping the team)

- Dick Vitale's All-Velcro Super Six (top defenders)

Roger Powell, Jr.

- Honorable Mention All-Big Ten (Media and Coaches)
- Big Ten Player of the Week - Dec. 6
- Bayer Advantage Senior CLASS Award Candidate

Deron Williams

- NCAA Chicago Regional Most Outstanding Player
- CollegeInsider.com All-American
- NABC Second-Team All-American
- *Sporting News* Second-Team All-American
- CBS Sportsline.com Second-Team All-American
- Scout.com Second-Team All-American
- *Associated Press* Third-Team All-American
- Sports Illustrated.com Third-Team All-American
- First-Team All-Big Ten (Media and Coaches)
- Oscar Robertson Player of the Year Finalist
- Wooden Award Finalist
- Bob Cousy College Point Guard of the Year Finalist
- Midseason Naismith Award Candidate
- Dick Vitale's All-Rolls Royce Second Team
- *Basketball Times* All-Mideast Region
- USBWA All-District
- NABC All-District First-Team
- Dick Vitale's Big Ten Player of the Year
- Dick Vitale's First-Team All-Big Ten
- Las Vegas Holiday Classic All-Tournament Team
- Dick Vitale's All-Thomas Edison Super Six (creators at point guard)
- Dick Vitale Midseason Report - All-Rolls Royce First Team
- Preseason Wooden Award Candidate
- Preseason Naismith Award Candidate
- Preseason Rupp Award Candidate
- Preseason Playboy Magazine All-American
- Preseason Big Ten Player of the Year - Media
- First-Team Preseason All-Big Ten - Media

Bruce Weber

- Naismith Men's College Coach of the Year
- Henry Iba Award winner (USBWA)
- *The Sporting News* National Coach of the Year
- *Basketball Times* National Coach of the Year
- Big Ten Coach of the Year (Media)
- Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year Finalist
- Dick Vitale's National Co-Coach of the Year
- Scout.com National Coach of the Year
- Dick Vitale's Big Ten Coach of the Year
- Big Ten Coach of the Year by CollegeInsider.com
- Dick Vitale's Coach of the Midseason

Team

- Dick Vitale's Midseason Report - Best Team
- Dick Vitale's Team of the Week (wins at Wisconsin and vs. Minnesota)

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2001-02	13-1	7-1
2000-01	12-0	8-0
<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>12-1</u>	<u>7-1</u>
Total	78-3 (.963)	44-3 (.936)

Williams Sets Illini Single-Season Assist Record

Deron Williams has recorded 248 assists so far this season, setting an Illini school record in the process. He broke the previous UI school record of 200 assists set by Bruce Douglas in 1985. Williams' total also ranks third in Big Ten history for assists in a season.

His average of 6.7 assists per game (13th in the NCAA as of March 21) is also on pace to break the Illinois record for assists average in a season (6.4 apg by Tony Wysinger in 1987). In just his junior campaign, Williams already ranks second all-time at Illinois with 578 career assists.

1,000-Point Club

Four members of the current Illinois roster have joined the school's 1,000-point club this season. This is just the eighth time in Big Ten history and the 48th time in NCAA history that a team has had four 1,000-point scorers:

- Deron Williams recorded his 1,000th career point against Northwestern on March 11, becoming the 39th player in Illinois history to score 1,000 points. Williams currently ranks 36th on the Illini all-time scoring list with 1,089 points.
- Williams joined Dee Brown, Luther Head and Roger Powell, Jr. as current Illini in the 1,000-point club. Powell recorded his 1,000th career point against Indiana on Feb. 6 and is currently 29th on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,149 points.
- Head recorded his 1,000th career point against Wisconsin on Jan. 25 and currently ranks 21st on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,254 points.
- Brown recorded his 1,000th career point against Cincinnati on Dec. 31 and is currently 17th on the school career scoring chart with 1,322 points.

Great Guard Play

Illinois has what many believe is the top backcourt in the country in the three-guard lineup of senior Luther Head and juniors Dee Brown and Deron Williams. They are Illinois' top three scorers as well as the top three assists and steals leaders. The trio has accounted for 54.0 percent of Illinois' scoring and 82.5 percent of its 3-pointers. They have also totaled 80.8 percent of Illinois' assists and 57.6 percent of its steals. Perhaps most impressive is that despite playing the most minutes and handling the ball for the majority of the game, the three guards boast an incredible combined assist-to-turnover ratio of 2.31. Below is a statistical look at Illinois' starting backcourt.

	PPG	APG	RPG	ST	3FG
Head	15.7	3.8	3.9	63	105
Brown	13.5	4.5	2.6	66	95
Williams	12.6	6.7	3.6	37	64
Total	41.8	15.0	10.1	1663	264

3-Point Attack

With the outstanding play of the Illini guards this year, it's no surprise that Illinois is enjoying one of its best seasons ever from behind the arc. The Illini lead the Big Ten and rank 18th in the NCAA (as of March 21) with 8.7 three-pointers per game. The Illini have made 10 or more threes in 14 games this season (12 vs. Delaware State, 12 vs. Oakland, 14 vs. Gonzaga, 11 vs. Wake Forest, 10 vs. Longwood, 11 at Purdue, 15 vs. Penn State, 10 vs. Minnesota, 13 at Michigan State, 12 at Penn State, 14 vs. Northwestern, 15 vs. Purdue and 16 vs. Arizona), highlighted by a school-record 16 treys in the Regional Final victory over Arizona on March 26.

Illinois' average of 8.7 three-pointers per game is on pace to shatter the school record, with the current record of 7.5 per game set during the 1995-96 season. This year's Illini team has already broken the school's single-season record for most three-pointers in a season with 320 through 37 games, breaking the previous record of 254 set in 2001-02.

The Illini have been accurate as well as prolific from behind the arc, leading the Big Ten and ranking 18th in the nation (as of March 21) with

a 3-point field goal percentage of 39.7 percent.

Luther Head leads the way with a Big Ten-leading 2.8 treys per game (39th in NCAA as of March 21) on 41 percent accuracy from 3-point range (5th in Big Ten, 32nd in NCAA as of March 21). Dee Brown is next, ranking third in the Big Ten with 2.6 threes per game. Brown ranks second in the conference with a 3-point field goal percentage of 45 percent. Deron Williams is averaging 1.7 threes per contest. Illinois' three starting guards have accounted for 82.5 percent of Illinois' 3-pointers this season (264-of-320).

Sharing the Wealth

One reason why Illinois ranks 15th in the nation in field goal percentage (as of March 21) at 48.7 percent is unselfish play. The Illini have been moving the ball well and making the extra pass to set up an open shot. Illinois has been credited with 688 assists on its 1,038 baskets, an impressive 66.3 percent assist-to-made field goals percentage. Illinois ranks third in the nation in assists (as of March 21), averaging 18.6 apg, and has recorded at least 20 assists in 19 games on the year. The Illini recorded a season-high 27 assists vs. Wake Forest on Dec. 1 and matched that total with 27 assists at Penn State on Feb. 16.

The Illini broke the school record for assists in a season vs. Nevada on March 19, now owning a total of 688 assists on the year. This breaks the previous school mark of 639 assists set during the 1988-89 season.

Illini in Control

Illinois has trailed in the scoring column for just 125:18 out of 1,490 minutes of play this year, meaning Illinois has either held the lead or been tied in 91.6 percent of the minutes played to date in the 2004-05 season.

The Illini have also not trailed during the second half in 31 of 37 games this year. Games at Purdue (Jan. 8), at Wisconsin (Jan. 25), at Michigan (Feb. 8), vs. Wisconsin (Feb. 12), the single loss at Ohio State (March 6) and vs. Arizona (March 26) in the Regional Final, have been the only six games this season when Illinois has been behind in the second half of play. Illinois has trailed by double figures just once this season, against Arizona on Saturday, falling behind by as many as 15 points (75-60) before coming from behind for the victory. Its largest previous deficit – nine points – came at Purdue on Jan. 8.

The Illini have held the lead the entire way in 15 games this year (Oakland, vs. Gonzaga, Wake Forest, vs. Oregon, Valparaiso, vs. Missouri, Longwood, vs. Northwestern State, vs. Cincinnati, Minnesota, Indiana, at Penn State,

Best Undefeated Starts in Illinois History

Rank	Year	Start	Final	Coach	Season Notes
1.	2004-05	29-0	???	Bruce Weber	NCAA Final Four; Winningest Season in School History
2.	1988-89	17-0	31-5	Lou Henson	NCAA Final Four
3.	1914-15	16-0	16-0	Ralph Jones	National Champions; Big Ten Champions; Only undefeated season in school history
4.	1978-79	15-0	19-11	Lou Henson	Illini defeated No. 1-ranked and eventual national champion Michigan State
5.	1907-08	12-0	20-6	Fletcher Lane	10 wins during 12-0 start came against YMCAs
T6.	1989-90	11-0	21-8	Lou Henson	NCAA Tournament
T6.	1951-52	11-0	22-4	Harry Combes	NCAA Final Four; Big Ten Champions
8.	1968-69	10-0	19-5	Harv Schmidt	Second place in Big Ten

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Northwestern, Purdue and vs. Nevada), which included a streak of six straight games from Dec. 11 (Oregon) through Dec. 31 (Cincinnati) that was broken against Ohio State in the Big Ten opener on Jan. 5. Following is a list of time that Illinois has been behind this season:

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time Trailed</u>
Delaware State	7:01
Florida A&M	0:50
vs. Arkansas	1:34
Chicago State	0:47
at Georgetown	11:20
Ohio State	7:11
at Purdue	21:46
Penn State	0:33
at Northwestern	0:22
Iowa	3:30
at Wisconsin	11:40
at Michigan State	2:08
at Michigan	14:32
Wisconsin	2:07
at Iowa	6:57
at Ohio State	0:05
vs. Northwestern	1:27
vs. Minnesota	8:40
vs. Wisconsin	1:09
vs. Fairleigh Dickinson	0:15
vs. Wisconsin-Milw.	1:10
vs. Arizona	20:36
TOTAL	125:18

First-Half Dominance

Illinois' play has been especially crisp in the first half of games this season. The Illini have shot 50 percent or better in 18 first halves so far, and are averaging 49.7 percent shooting in the first half of its games. Illinois has scored 45 or more points in 13 first halves and is averaging 40.6 points in the first half. Illinois has also taken a double-digit lead into halftime 19 times this year and goes into the locker room with an average lead of 11.9 points. Below is a breakdown of Illinois' performance in the first half:

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>UI</u>	<u>UI</u>	<u>UI</u>
	<u>FG%</u>	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>LEAD</u>
Delaware St.	64.5	50	13
Florida A&M	58.8	58	29
Oakland	60.0	47	19
vs. Gonzaga	55.0	58	31
Wake Forest	60.0	54	21
vs. Arkansas	48.4	40	9
Chicago St.	54.5	47	15
at Georgetown	41.9	31	7
vs. Oregon	56.0	43	14
Valparaiso	57.1	49	26
vs. Missouri	41.9	38	15
Longwood	57.5	56	13
vs. N'western St.	50.0	42	14
vs. Cincinnati	35.5	35	11

Ohio State	56.3	46	6
at Purdue	37.9	33	-6
Penn State	50.0	41	16
at Northwestern	47.1	42	8
Iowa	35.3	34	9
at Wisconsin	42.4	35	2
Minnesota	60.0	47	21
at Michigan St.	48.3	41	8
Indiana	41.7	26	6
at Michigan	37.5	24	-4
Wisconsin	27.9	27	1
at Penn State	66.7	52	22
at Iowa	48.0	36	8
Northwestern	60.0	45	23
Purdue	57.1	50	24
at Ohio State	42.4	38	11
vs. Northwestern	48.1	38	16
vs. Minnesota	34.5	30	6
vs. Wisconsin	37.9	26	8
vs. F. Dickinson	37.9	32	1
vs. Nevada	51.9	34	7
vs. UW-Milw.	53.3	39	7
vs. Arizona	43.3	38	2
Avg.	49.6	40.6	11.9

Quick Shots

- For the third year in school history – and the 15th straight week – the Illini are ranked No. 1 in the nation. Prior to this season, Illinois last stood atop the national polls the week of January 23-29, 1989. Illinois' first tenure at No. 1 came the final week of January, 1952. Illinois' 15 straight weeks at No. 1 is the longest streak by any team in eight years, since Kansas owned the top spot for the final 15 weeks of the 1996-97 season.
- This is the first time in school history that Illinois has spent multiple weeks ranked No. 1 in the polls. In 1952 and 1989, the Illini spent just one week at the No. 1 spot.
- Illinois' 21-game winning streak at the Assembly Hall is the fourth-longest current homecourt streak in the nation. The Illini wrapped up its third undefeated season at the Assembly Hall in the last five years with a 15-0 record this year. Illinois also went undefeated at home in 2000-01 (12-0) and 2002-03 (14-0). Illinois has the best homecourt record in the nation over the past six years at 78-3 (.963).
- Illinois has defeated all nine ranked opponents that it has played this season – No. 24 Gonzaga (Nov. 27), No. 1 Wake Forest (Dec. 1), No. 22 Cincinnati (Dec. 31), No. 23 Iowa (Jan. 20), No. 18 Wisconsin (Jan. 25), No. 12 Michigan State (Feb. 1), No. 20 Wisconsin (Feb. 12), No. 23 Wisconsin (March 13) and No. 9 Arizona (March 26).
- The Illini are averaging 8.7 three-pointers per game this season, which leads the Big Ten and ranks 18th in the NCAA (as of March 21).

Illinois set a school record for 3-pointers in a game with 15 vs. Penn State on Jan. 12 and equaled that record with 15 threes vs. Purdue on March 3. The Illini then broke that school record with 16 three-pointers in the Regional Final victory over Arizona.

- Illinois has won 29 of 36 games by double figures, and is outscoring its opponents by an average of 16.5 points per game on the year. Illinois leads the Big Ten and ranks third in the nation (as of March 21) in scoring margin.
- The Illini are shooting 48.7 percent (1038-2132) from the field and 39.7 percent (320-807) from 3-point range. Illinois ranks second in the Big Ten in field goal pct. (15th in NCAA, as of March 21) and leads the Big Ten in 3-pt. field goal pct. (18th in NCAA, as of March 21).
- In the first half of games this season, Illinois is averaging 40.6 points (1,502 pts.) on 49.6 percent shooting (564-1137), and enjoys an average halftime lead of 11.9 points (439 pts.).
- All five Illini starters are averaging in double-figures this season.
- Illinois has led the Big Ten in scoring each of the last four seasons. The Illini currently rank second in the Big Ten and 22nd in the nation (as of March 21) in scoring, averaging 77.3 points per game.
- Illinois has been credited with assists on 66.3 percent of its baskets this season (688 assists on 1038 field goals). The Illini lead the Big Ten and rank third in the nation in assists (as of March 21), averaging 18.6 assists per game. The Illini also lead the Big Ten with an assist/turnover ratio of 1.67 on the season.
- The Illini snapped Wisconsin's 38-game home winning streak on Jan. 25 with a 75-65 victory at the Kohl Center, ending the longest homecourt winning streak in the nation.
- Illinois' victory over Chicago State on Dec. 6 marked the first time in school history that the

Illinois and the Century Mark

Illinois has scored 100 points or more 77 times in school history. Below is a breakdown of Illinois' record in games where it hits the 100 mark.

All-Time Record:	73-4
The Last Time:	Dec. 27, 2004
	vs. Longwood (105-79)
Most Points:	127, Dec. 22, 1988
	vs. Louisiana State (127-100)
Both Teams:	Missouri 108, Illinois 107
	Dec. 22, 1993
At Assembly Hall:	46-0
The Last Time:	Dec. 27, 2004
	vs. Longwood (105-79)
Most Points:	126, March 10, 1982
	vs. Long Island (126-78)
All-Time at Home:	60-0

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Illini have won their *first* game after earning the No. 1 ranking. In 1989, No. 1 Illinois lost at Minnesota and in 1952, the No. 1 Illini lost at DePaul. The Illini are now 32-3 all-time when ranked No. 1, with wins over Indiana in 1989 and at Purdue in 1952, in addition to 30 victories this season while sitting atop the polls.

- Illinois defeated a No.1-ranked team for the second time in school history and the first since 1979 on Dec. 1 when the Illini cruised past then-No. 1 Wake Forest 91-73.
- In its win over Gonzaga, Illinois set a number of Wooden Tradition team records, including points (89), assists (24), steals (13), three-pointers (14), as well as individual records, including assists (Luther Head, 9), steals (Luther Head-tied, 4), and 3-pointers (Deron Williams-tied, 5).
- In the season opener on Nov. 19, Illinois and Delaware State combined to set the Illinois all-time and Assembly Hall records for combined field goal percentage. The teams joined to shoot 60.8 percent (59-97), with the Illini making 35-of-55 attempts and the Hornets connecting on 24-of-42 shots.

Unselfish Point Guard Williams Directs Illini Attack

Junior Deron Williams was named the Chicago Regional Most Outstanding Player after leading the Illini to victories over Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Arizona, averaging 16.5 points and 8.5 assists in the four games. Williams, an NABC Second-Team All-American, Third-Team *Associated Press* All-American and repeat First-Team All-Big Ten selection, is the first Big Ten player ever to lead the league in assists in each of his first three seasons, after joining Michigan State's Magic Johnson (1978-79) and Illinois' Bruce Douglas (1983-84) as the only players to lead the league in their first two seasons. He is the second player to lead the league for three consecutive years along with MSU's Mateen Cleaves (1998-2000).

Williams, the Preseason Big Ten Player of the Year, earned Preseason All-America honors from Playboy Magazine and was a preseason candidate for the Wooden, Naismith and Rupp Awards. He has since been named a finalist for the Bob Cousy College Point Guard of the Year award, Oscar

Robertson (USBWA) Player of the Year, and Wooden Award.

Williams is third on the team in scoring this season, averaging 12.6 points (19th in Big Ten). He leads the Big Ten and ranks 13th in the nation (as of March 21) in assists, averaging 6.7 apg. Williams dished out a career-high 12 assists vs. Penn State on Jan. 12 and has recorded double figures in assists five times this season. He boasts an assist-to-turnover ratio of 2.38 to lead the team and rank third in the Big Ten. Williams is also fourth on the team in rebounding with 3.6 boards per game.

Williams had one of his best games of the season in Illinois' win over Missouri on Dec. 22, scoring 19 points - 15 of which came in the second half - with five assists. He then had a season-high 23 points with four 3-pointers vs. Longwood (Dec. 27).

Williams was named to the All-Tournament Team at the Las Vegas Holiday Classic after scoring 14 points with a game-high six assists vs. Northwestern State and a game-high 18 points with six rebounds and four assists vs. Cincinnati.

He played 39 minutes in the Big Ten opener vs. Ohio State, finishing with 14 points and a game-high eight assists.

Williams notched the fourth double-double of his career on Jan. 12 vs. Penn State, scoring 11 points in addition to his career-high 12 assists. He also tied his career high in steals with four against the Nittany Lions.

Williams was a key factor in the win at Wisconsin on Jan. 25, scoring 13 points with six rebounds and a game-high six assists.

The junior guard may have had his best shooting day of the season with 18 points on 7-10 shooting, including 4-5 from 3-point range, in the win over Minnesota on Jan. 29.

Williams repeated his 4-5 shooting from 3-point range in the following game en route to 14 points at Michigan State.

He had 15 points against Wisconsin on Feb. 12 and was instrumental in the win at Iowa on Feb. 19, scoring 18 points with five assists while playing the entire game.

In the final home game vs. Purdue on March 3, Williams hit 7-of-9 shots, including four 3-

pointers, to finish with 21 points while adding six assists and five rebounds.

Williams recorded just the third double-double by an Illinois player in NCAA Tournament history that included points and assists, with his 15-point, 10-assist effort vs. Nevada in the second round on March 19.

He scored 21 points against Wisconsin-Milwaukee in the regional semifinals on March 24 and then had another double-double with 22 points and 10 assists in the final vs. Arizona on Saturday.

Williams is headed towards numerous assists records this season. With 248 assists, he has set an Illinois single-season assists record, breaking the previous record of 200 assists by Bruce Douglas in 1985. Williams' average of 6.7 assists per game is also on pace to break the Illinois record for assists average in a season (6.4 apg by Tony Wysinger in 1987).

In just his junior campaign, Williams already ranks second all-time at Illinois with 578 career assists.

Williams recorded his 1,000th career point against Northwestern on March 11 and currently ranks 36th on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,089 points.

The Head of the Class

Guard Luther Head entered the season as one of the most underrated players in the nation, and has been playing at an All-America-level in this his senior year. A Second-Team All-American by the AP, USBWA and NABC and a First-Team All-Big Ten selection, Head was also recently named a finalist for the Rupp, Wooden and Oscar Robertson Awards. He earned All-Chicago Regional Team honors after averaging 14.8 points in four games of the NCAA Tournament.

Head leads the Illini in scoring at 15.7 points per game (6th in Big Ten), is second on the team with 63 steals (5th in Big Ten), while also contributing 3.8 assists per game (5th in Big Ten). He is shooting 46.7 percent from the field and 41 percent from 3-point land (5th in Big Ten, 32nd in NCAA as of March 21) with a Big Ten-leading 105 treys. Head broke the Illinois school record for 3-pointers in a season vs. Nevada on March

Illini Radio Network

(51 Stations)

Aledo, WRMJ-FM 102.3

Alton, WBGZ-AM 1570

Bloomington, WTRX-FM 93.7

Bloomington, WJBC-AM 1230

Carterville, WJPF-AM 1340

Carterville, WCIL-AM 1020

Casey, WCBH-FM 104.3

Champaign, WDWS-AM 1400

Champaign, WHMS-FM 97.5

Chicago, WSCR-AM 670

Chicago, WCKG-FM 105.9

Clinton, WHOW-AM 1520
Clinton, WHOW-FM 95.9
Danville, WDAN-AM 1490
Danville, WDNL-FM, 102.1
Davenport, Iowa, KUUL-FM 101.3
Decatur, WSOY-AM 1340
DuQuoin, WDQN-AM 1580
East Moline, KUUL-FM 101.3
Effingham, WCRC-FM 95.7
Fairfield, WFII-FM 1390
Galesburg, WGIL-AM 1400
Highland, WCBW-AM 880
Jacksonville, WJIL-AM 1550
Kankakee, WKAN-AM 1320

Kewanee, WYEC-FM 93.9
Litchfield, WSMI-FM 106.1
Mt. Carmel, WVCM-AM 1360
Mattoon, WCRC-FM 95.7
Morrison, WZZT-FM 102.7
Newton, WIKK-FM 103.5
Olney, WVLN-AM 740
Olney, WSEL-FM 92.9
Paris, WPRS-AM 1440
Paris, WACF-FM 98.5
Paxton, WPXN-FM 104.9
Peoria, WWFS-AM 1290
Pontiac, WTRX-FM 93.7
Quincy, WTAD-AM 930

Robinson, WTAY-AM 1570
Robinson, WTYE-FM 101.7
Rockford, WROK-AM 1440
Salem, WJBD-AM 1350
Salem, WJBD-FM 100.1
Sparta, WHCO-AM 1230
St. Louis, KRFT-AM 1190
Springfield, WTAX-AM 1240
Sterling, WSDR-AM 1240
Taylorville, WTIM-FM 97.3
Vandalia, WPMB-AM 1500
Watseka, WGFA-FM 94.1

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19, breaking the previous school mark of 96 set by Cory Bradford in 2000.

Head also leads the Illini and ranks seventh in the Big Ten in free throw shooting at 78.4 percent (76-97).

Head opened the season by scoring in double figures in five straight games with 15 points vs. Delaware State, 13 vs. Florida A&M, a game-high 22 points vs. Oakland, 20 points vs. Gonzaga and 16 points vs. Wake Forest.

After his streak ended against Arkansas, Head responded with eight straight games in double figures: a game-high 17 points vs. Chicago State; 13 at Georgetown; game-high 23 vs. Oregon; 11 against Valparaiso; 20 vs. Missouri; 20 vs. Longwood; game-high 18 vs. Northwestern State; and 11 vs. Cincinnati.

That streak came to an end vs. Ohio State on Jan. 5, but Head then put together a career-best streak of 11 consecutive games in double figures. He has been Illinois' leading scorer in eight of the last 20 games, with 15 points at Purdue; 19 vs. Penn State; season-high 26 at Northwestern; 25 vs. Iowa; 18 at Wisconsin; 22 at Michigan State, and, a season-high tying 26 vs. Wisconsin, and 14 vs. Minnesota.

He was named Big Ten Co-Player of the Week on Jan. 17 after averaging 22.5 points, 4.5 rebounds, 3.0 assists and 2.5 steals against Penn State and Northwestern.

Head has an assist-to-turnover ratio of 2.18 on the year, which ranks fifth in the Big Ten. In consecutive games vs. Gonzaga and Wake Forest, he combined for 14 assists with only two turnovers. He tied his career-high in assists with nine dimes apiece in back-to-back games vs. Oakland and Gonzaga. Head also had nine assists with no turnovers vs. Valparaiso.

Head recorded his 1,000th career point against Wisconsin on Jan. 25 and currently ranks 21st on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,254 points.

Dee Lighting it Up

Perhaps the most recognizable face in college basketball, junior guard Dee Brown has been gracing covers of newspapers and magazines everywhere while continuing to rake in the awards. The reigning Big Ten Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year, Brown has been named the National Player of the Year by The Sporting News, a First-Team All-American by the USBWA and a Second-Team All-American by the AP and NABC. He is also a finalist for the Wooden and Oscar Robertson Awards.

Brown was one of the hottest players in the nation during the stretch run that closed out the regular season, en route to capturing Big Ten player of the Year honors. Over the final nine

games prior to the Big Ten Tournament, Brown averaged 17.7 points and scored in double figures in all nine contests, led by a career-high 27 points vs. Purdue on March 3. Brown shot 58.2 percent from the field (53-91) and an incredible 57.6 percent from 3-point range (34-59) over those nine games. He tied a school record with eight threes vs. Purdue, hitting 8-of-10 from behind the arc. This came on the heels of his 6-for-8 performance from 3-point range against Northwestern on Feb. 23.

Brown led Illinois during its NCAA first-round win over Fairleigh Dickinson, scoring a team-high 19 points on 7-10 shooting. He then had 21 points on the strength of 5-8 shooting from 3-point land, in the regional semifinal win over Wisconsin-Milwaukee. In the final vs. Arizona, Brown totaled 15 points, seven assists, five rebounds and three steals.

Brown has had a hot shooting hand throughout the season, shooting 50.7 percent (159-313) from the field (15th in Big Ten). That percentage is even more impressive when considering that over 62 percent of his shots have come from 3-point range. And Brown has been dependable from downtown as well, shooting 45 percent (95-211) from behind the arc, which ranks second in the Big Ten.

Brown is second on the Illini in scoring at 13.5 points per game (16th in Big Ten). He recorded his 1,000th career point against Cincinnati on Dec. 31, and is currently 17th on the school career scoring chart with 1,322 points.

While Brown's scoring has increased, he has made his presence felt in all areas, averaging 4.5 assists, 1.8 steals and 2.6 rebounds on the season. He tied his season high in steals with four against Michigan on Feb. 8, which included a sensational series where he had three steals on consecutive possessions, all of which he converted into layups. He had 11 assists at Penn State on Feb. 16 to record his first double-double of the season, as he also scored 19 points.

Like his backcourt teammates, Brown has also been taking care of the ball and making good decisions. His 4.5 assists average ranks third in the Big Ten. He also has an assist-to-turnover ratio of 2.31 on the season to rank fourth in the Big Ten.

In consecutive games vs. Gonzaga and Wake Forest, Brown combined for 15 assists without a turnover. In a three-game stretch vs. Chicago State, Georgetown and Oregon, he combined for 20 assists with just four turnovers (game-high nine assists with one turnover vs. Chicago State; game-high six assists with two turnovers at Georgetown; five assists with one turnover vs. Oregon). Against Longwood on Dec. 27, Brown had a career-high 13 assists, tying the third high-

est single-game assist total in UI history.

Brown ranks sixth on the Illinois career assists list with 472 assists.

The Rev Rises to the Occasion

Senior forward Roger Powell, Jr. is fourth on the team in scoring, averaging 11.8 points, and is second on the team with 5.5 rebounds, while shooting 54.7 percent from the field (162-296, ninth in Big Ten). Standing 6-foot-6 and playing the power forward position, Powell is often undersized against his opponent. But he causes a match-up problem for the defense with his quickness and ability to step out and face the basket and either drive or hit the outside shot. Powell currently ranks fifth on the UI career field goal percentage chart at 57.2 percent (443-774).

Powell had perhaps his best game of the season Dec. 1 vs. Wake Forest, scoring 19 points on 8-of-10 shooting, which included a pair of 3-pointers. He followed that performance with another 19 points and a game-high 11 rebounds in a victory over Arkansas. Powell was named Big Ten Player of the Week on Dec. 6 for his performance in those two games.

In a victory at Georgetown on Dec. 9, Powell led the Illini with 19 points on 8-of-11 shooting.

In one of his best games during Big Ten play, Powell scored a season-high 21 points on 8-12 field goal shooting, including 2-3 from three-point range, in the win over Minnesota on Jan. 29.

He shot a perfect 10-for-10 from the field at Penn State on Feb. 16, tying his season high with 21 points.

Powell took center stage in the Big Ten Tournament Championship, recording the sixth double-double of his career with 15 points and a career-high 12 rebounds.

Powell recorded his 1,000th career point against Indiana on Feb. 6 and is currently tied for 29th on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,149 points.

Powell is scheduled to graduate with his bachelor's degree in speech communications in May. He is a licensed minister in the Pentecostal church.

Augie Leads on the Interior

Junior James Augustine, a Third-Team All-Big Ten selection, recently was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Big Ten Tournament after leading the Illini to the championship. Augustine averaged a double-double of 12.7 points and 10.3 rebounds while shooting 73.7 percent from the field (14-19). He led the Illini in scoring against Northwestern, totaling 15 points with eight boards. He recorded a double-double vs. Minnesota with 11 points and a game-high 14

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rebounds. He finished with 12 points, nine boards and three blocks in the title game vs. Wisconsin.

Augustine continued his torrid pace during the first weekend of the NCAA Tournament. In the first round win over Fairleigh Dickinson, he had a double-double with 11 points and a career-high 15 rebounds. He then notched a career-high 23 points and 10 rebounds vs. Nevada in the second round. Augustine posted his sixth double-double of the season and the 16th of his career with 11 points and 10 rebounds in the regional semifinal victory over Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

In seven postseason games combined (Big Ten and NCAA Tournaments), Augustine is averaging 12.4 points and 10.3 rebounds on 70.7 percent shooting (29-41).

Augustine has been consistent in the paint throughout the season, averaging 10.4 points while shooting 63.3 percent from the field (140-221), and averaging a team-high 7.6 rebounds. He leads the Big Ten in field goal percentage, and ranks fifth in the league in rebounding. Augustine also leads the Illini with 46 blocked shots (6th in Big Ten).

Augustine was named Big Ten Player of the Week on Jan. 10 after notching a double-double vs. Ohio State (Jan. 5) with 21 points and 10 boards, and adding eight points and a game-high nine boards at Purdue (Jan. 8). On the week, Augustine averaged 14.5 points and 9.5 rebounds while shooting 71.4 percent from the field (10-14).

Augustine earned his second Big Ten Player of the Week award on Jan. 31 after averaging 14.5 points, 7.5 rebounds and 2.5 blocks, while shooting 83.3 percent from the field in a pair of victories over Wisconsin (Jan. 25) and Minnesota (Jan. 29). He posted 14 points on 5-6 shooting, a game-high eight rebounds and two blocks in a 75-65 victory over Wisconsin, which helped end the Badgers' 38-game home winning streak. With Illinois up by just one with three minutes remaining, Augustine had back-to-back dunks to give the Illini a five-point advantage and seal the win. He followed with another strong performance, tallying 15 points on 5-of-6 shooting against Minnesota, while pulling down a team-high seven rebounds and adding a game-high three blocks.

Augustine extended his streak of scoring in double figures to six games, after scoring 11 at Michigan State, a game-high 16 vs. Indiana, and 10 at Michigan. His streak came to an end in the win over Wisconsin on Feb. 12 (four points), but he responded with 10 points at Penn State on Feb. 16 followed by 13 at Iowa on Feb. 19.

That's a Three ... Rich McBride

Sophomore Rich McBride has been valuable player on the perimeter for the Illini. He is the first guard off the bench and is averaging 14.9 minutes per game. Known for his smooth stroke from 3-point land, McBride is fourth on the team with 27 treys.

Ingram Gives Illini Big Lift off the Bench

Senior Jack Ingram is Illinois' first big man off the bench and has given the Illini a spark in a number of games. Playing 14.5 minutes per game, Ingram is averaging 4.2 points and 2.6 rebounds. He has a good outside shot, shooting 47 percent from the field and has tallied seven 3-pointers.

Ingram scored a career-high 12 points in Illinois' NCAA second-round win over Nevada on March 19, hitting 6-7 from the field. He also scored eight points in six games, including five times in Big Ten play. His best performance during the regular season came at Wisconsin on Jan. 25 when he scored eight points, including back-to-back 3-pointers during a second half run in which Illinois fought back from an eight-point deficit to take the lead for good.

Illinois-Wisconsin Game Receives High TV Rating

The Illinois-Wisconsin game on Jan. 25, which was televised by ESPN, achieved a 2.78 rating. That translates to roughly 2.5 million households, making it ESPN's most watched college basketball game of the 2004-05 season, as well as the seventh most watched regular-season college basketball game in ESPN history.

Taking Down No. 1

Illinois' victory over No. 1 Wake Forest on Dec. 1 marked the second time in school history that the Illini have defeated an opponent ranked atop the *Associated Press* poll. The last time came on Jan. 11, 1979, when Illinois defeated Michigan State 57-55. Illinois is now 2-19 all-time against No. 1-ranked opponents.

Illini Join 1,500 Club

Illinois' win over Penn State on Jan. 12 marked the 1,500th victory all-time at Illinois. The Fighting Illini became the 15th program in NCAA history to record 1,500 victories, and the program now owns an all-time record of 1,519-804 (.654). With 1,519 all-time victories, the Illini rank 14th in NCAA history in terms of total wins. And with a .654 all-time winning percentage, Illinois ranks as the 11th winningest program in NCAA history by percentage. The following is a list of the all-time winningest NCAA Div. I teams (by total wins) who have reached the 1,500-win marker:

1. Kentucky	9. Indiana
2. North Carolina	10. Notre Dame
3. Kansas	11. Utah
4. Duke	12. UCLA
5. St. John's	13. Oregon State
6. Syracuse	14. ILLINOIS
7. Temple	15. Princeton
8. Pennsylvania	16. Western Kentucky

Brown Earns Second Big Ten Player of the Week Honor – Feb. 21

Dee Brown was named Big Ten Player of the Week on Feb. 21 after leading Illinois to two road victories at Penn State and at Iowa. Brown averaged 18.5 points on combined 64 percent shooting, while adding 7.0 assists, 3.0 rebounds and 2.0 steals per game.

He posted the second double-double of his career in the win over Penn State, scoring 19 points, including five 3-pointers, while dishing out a game-high 11 assists. Brown also had four rebounds and two steals, while committing only one turnover against the Nittany Lions. He followed with another clutch performance at Iowa, shooting 7-of-11 from the floor (.636) for the second consecutive game to finish with 18 points, while adding three assists and two steals.

This marked the second time this season that Brown was named Player of the Week by the conference office. He was first honored on November 22. It was also the fourth Big Ten weekly honor of his career.

Augustine Earns Second Big Ten Player of the Week Honor - Jan. 31

James Augustine was named Big Ten Player of the Week on Jan. 31 after averaging 14.5 points, 7.5 rebounds and 2.5 blocks, while shooting 83.3 percent from the field in a pair of victories over Wisconsin and Minnesota. He posted 14 points on 5-6 shooting, a game-high eight rebounds and two blocks in a 75-65 victory over Wisconsin, which helped end the Badgers' 38-game home winning streak. With Illinois up by just one with three minutes remaining, Augustine had back-to-back dunks to give the Illini a five-point advantage and seal the win. He followed with another strong performance, tallying 15 points on 5-of-6 shooting against Minnesota, while pulling down a team-high seven rebounds and adding a game-high three blocks.

Augustine claimed his second career Big Ten weekly award this season as he was also honored on Jan. 10.

Head Named Big Ten Co-POTW - Jan. 17

Luther Head was the driving force behind wins over Penn State and Northwestern to earn Big Ten Co-Player of the Week honors on Jan. 17

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along with Wisconsin's Mike Wilkinson. Head averaged 22.5 points on 61.5 percent shooting from the field, while going 9-of-18 from 3-point range (.500). He also averaged 4.5 rebounds, three assists and 2.5 steals per game. Head scored a game-high 19 points in the win over Penn State, tallying five three-pointers, while also adding a game-high seven rebounds and three assists. He then posted a season-high 26 points against Northwestern, just three off his career best. Head added three assists and a game-high three steals against NU.

Illinois set a Big Ten record by having four different players named Player of the Week during the same season:

Luther Head – Jan. 17

James Augustine – Jan. 10, Jan. 31

Roger Powell – Dec. 6

Dee Brown – Nov. 22, Feb. 21

Augustine Named Big Ten POTW - Jan. 10
James Augustine was named Big Ten Player of the Week on Jan. 10 after leading the Illini to victories over Ohio State and Purdue, while nearly averaging a double-double on the week. He scored a season-high 21 points against Ohio State in the Big Ten opener. He shot 8-of-10 from the field, while also grabbing 10 rebounds to notch a double-double. Augustine then scored eight points and had a game-high nine rebounds, while adding three assists and two blocked shots in a road win at Purdue. On the week, he averaged 14.5 points and 9.5 rebounds per game on a combined 71.4 shooting percentage (10-of-13).

Powell Named Big Ten POTW - Dec. 6
Roger Powell, Jr. was named Big Ten Player of the Week on Dec. 6 following his performance in a pair of Illini victories. Powell scored a game-high 19 points in the win over then-No. 1 Wake Forest. He connected on 8-of-10 shots, including a pair of 3-pointers, while grabbing seven boards. Powell then registered a double-double in the win over Arkansas, again leading the Illini with 19 points along with a game-high 11 rebounds. On the week, Powell averaged 19 points and 9.0 rebounds while shooting 67 percent from the field (14-21) in garnering the first Big Ten Player of the Week accolade of his career.

Brown Named Big Ten POTW - Nov. 22
Junior guard Dee Brown earned the third Big Ten Player of the Week honor of his career Nov. 22 after leading the Illini to victories over Delaware State and Florida A&M. Brown totaled 37 points on the weekend, hitting 13-of-16 shots from the field, including 8-of-11 from three-point range.

Illinois Begins Season Near the Top

Illinois began the 2004-05 season ranked No. 5 in both the Preseason ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll and Associated Press Poll, its highest pre-season ranking since starting the 2001-02 season ranked No. 2 in the coaches' poll and No. 3 in the AP poll.

Illinois has moved atop both polls with its 36-1 record. This is the 15th straight week that Illinois has been ranked No. 1.

Hot Ticket to Watch the Illini at the Hall
Illinois sold out of season tickets for the 2004-05 campaign, making it one of the hottest tickets in program history.

New Faces on the Roster

• Arnold Transfers From Illinois State: Marcus Arnold, a 6-8 forward/center from Chicago, transferred to Illinois from Illinois State in the summer of 2004 and will sit out the 2004-05 season per NCAA transfer rules. He will begin the 2005-06 season with junior eligibility.

• Freshman Duo: The 2004 recruiting class of 6-foot-4-inch guard Calvin Brock of Chicago Simeon High School and 6-8 forward Shaun Pruitt of Aurora (Ill.) West High School are now in their freshman season for the Illini. Brock was the Chicago Player-of-the-Year in 2004 while Pruitt was runner-up for Mr. Basketball in the state of Illinois last season. Brock has indicated that he intends to sit out the season as a redshirt to preserve a season of eligibility.

Weber Wins Big Ten Title in First Season

With the win over Ohio State on March 7, the 2004 Illini claimed sole possession of the Big Ten title. With that victory, Bruce Weber became just the third Big Ten coach to win an outright league title in his first season along with Wisconsin's Guy Lowman in 1918 and Minnesota's Bill Musselman in 1972.

Weber is the 11th coach in Big Ten history to win at least a share of the conference title in his first season. He is the third Illini rookie coach to win the league, following Doug Mills in 1937 and Bill Self in 2001.

The Graduate

Nick Smith earned a bachelor's degree in finance in December of 2003, graduating from Illinois' College of Business in three-and-a-half years. Smith is now working on his master's degree in finance and should graduate with that degree in May, 2005.

Orange Krush Honors Cardinal

The Orange Krush student support group and cheering section announced last year that it will

fund an endowment in the name of former men's basketball trainer Rod Cardinal in the amount of \$300,000 to fund future student athletic trainers for the UI sports medicine program. The Krush has already endowed the \$250,000 Matthew Heldman Memorial Scholarship, named after former Illini point guard Matt Heldman who was tragically killed in a car accident in 1999.

A Pro Look

Illinois players are getting a look at several pro venues this season. Illinois played at the Conseco Fieldhouse, home of the Indiana Pacers, on Nov. 27 against Gonzaga in The Wooden Tradition; at the MCI Center in Washington D.C., home of the Washington Wizards, on Dec. 9 against Georgetown; at the United Center, home of the Chicago Bulls, on Dec. 11 against Oregon and at the Big Ten Tournament on March 11-13; and at Savvis Center, home of the NHL's St. Louis Blues, on Dec. 22 against Missouri in the annual Braggin' Rights game. The Final Four at the Edward Jones Dome is host to the NFL's St. Louis Rams.

Illini Sign Three

Illinois signed three prep standouts to national letters of intent during the fall signing period in Jamar Smith, a 6-3 shooting guard from Peoria, Ill./Richwoods H.S.; Chester Frazier, a 6-2 point guard from Baltimore, Md./Notre Dame Prep (Fitchburg, Mass.); and Charles Jackson, a 6-7 power forward from Buena Vista, Ga./Tri-County H.S.

Cook and Williams in the NBA

Frank Williams became Illinois' first, first-round NBA draft pick since 1990 when the New York Knicks chose him as the 26th pick of the 2002 NBA Draft. He is currently with the Chicago Bulls.

In 2003, Brian Cook was chosen as the 24th pick in the first round by the Los Angeles Lakers, becoming the third Illini chosen by the NBA in the 2002 and 2003 drafts (along with Robert Archibald). Cook is in his second season with the Lakers.



Dee Brown 6-0 • 185 • Jr. Maywood, Ill. Proviso East H.S.

- THE NATION'S FASTEST PLAYER -

- Blazing speed on the court has earned him the nickname the One-Man Fast Break
- Second on the Illini in scoring at 13.5 ppg and has scored in double figures in 28 games
- Averaged 15.0 points in Big Ten play and scored in double figures in 14 of 16 conference games
- Locked up Big Ten Player of the Year honors after averaging 17.7 points on 58 percent shooting from the field as well as 58 percent from 3-point range over the final nine conference games
- Ranks second in the Big Ten and 11th in the NCAA in 3-point field goal percentage, shooting 45 percent from behind the arc
- Second on the Illini and in the Big Ten with 95 three-pointers (2.6 per game) and has made at least three treys in 16 games
- One of the top ranking guards in the nation in field goal percentage, he is shooting 50.7 percent on the season
- Second on the Illini and third in the Big Ten in assists, averaging 4.5 apg
- Leads the Illini and ranks third in the Big Ten in steals, averaging 1.8 spg
- Ranks fourth in the Big Ten in assist/turnover ratio (2.31)



Luther Head 6-3 • 185 • Sr. Chicago, Ill. Manley H.S.

- THE NATION'S MOST IMPROVED PLAYER -

- Leads the Illini in scoring at 15.7 ppg (6th in Big Ten) and has been Illinois' leading scorer in 14 games
- Has scored in double figures in 34 of 37 games, with 10 games of 20+ points
- Leads the Big Ten with 105 three-pointers (2.8 per game), setting an Illinois single-season record for 3-point field goals in a season (breaking former UI record of 96 by Cory Bradford in 2000)
- Has made at least three treys in 21 games
- Second on the Illini with a 3-point field goal percentage of 41 percent (5th in Big Ten)
- Shooting 46.7 percent from the field on the season
- Leads the Illini in free throw percentage (6th in Big Ten) at 78.4 percent
- Second on the Illini and fifth in the Big Ten in steals, averaging 1.7 spg
- Third on the Illini and fifth in the Big Ten in assists, averaging 3.8 apg
- Third on the Illini and fifth in the Big Ten in assist/turnover ratio (2.18)
- Third on the Illini in rebounding, averaging 3.9 rpg
- Scored season-high 26 points twice; at Northwestern (Jan. 15) and vs. Wisconsin (Feb. 12)



Deron Williams 6-3 • 210 • Jr. The Colony, Texas The Colony H.S.

- THE NATION'S MOST UNSELFISH PLAYER -

- Leads the Big Ten and ranks 13th in the nation in assists, averaging 6.7 apg
- First player in Big Ten history to lead the conference in assists in each of his first three seasons
- Has set an Illinois single-season record for assists in a season with 248, breaking the former UI record of 200 by Bruce Douglas in 1985
- Already ranks second on the Illini career assists lists with 578 assists
- Has reached double figures in assists five times this season, led by a career-high 12 assists vs. Penn State (Jan. 12), the seventh highest total by an Illini player in school history
- Has totaled at least seven assists in 17 games
- Third on the Illini in scoring at 12.6 ppg and has scored in double figures in 24 games
- Leads the Illini and ranks third in the Big Ten in assist/turnover ratio (2.38)
- Third on the Illini with 64 three-pointers, averaging 1.6 treys per game
- Third on the Illini with 37 steals

- Sporting News National Player of the Year
- USBWA First-Team All-American
- Sporting News, SI.com and CBS Sportline.com First-Team All-American
- Associated Press Second-Team All-American
- NABC Second-Team All-American
- Basketball Times Second-Team All-American
- Wooden Award Finalist
- Oscar Robertson (USBWA) Player of the Year Finalist
- Big Ten Player of the Year
- Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year
- First-Team All-Big Ten
- USBWA All-District and District Player of the Year
- NABC First-Team All-District

- Scored career-high 27 points on 9-12 shooting, including 8-10 from 3-point range vs. Purdue (March 3)
- His eight treys vs. Purdue were a career high and tied the Illinois school record
- Dished out a career-high 13 assists vs. Longwood (Dec. 27), the most by a Big Ten player this season and the third highest total by an Illini player in school history
- Ranks 17th on the Illini all-time scoring list with 1,322 career points (entering next game on April 2)
- Ranks third on the Illini career 3-point field goals list with 217 treys
- Ranks sixth on the Illini career steals list with 174 steals
- Twice named Big Ten Player of the Week (Nov. 22 and Feb. 21)
- Las Vegas Holiday Classic All-Tournament Team

Dee Brown's Career Statistics:

Year	GP-GS	MIN-Avg	FGM-A%	3PM-A%	FTM-A%	REB/Avg	A	S	PTS/Avg
2002-03	32-31	1090-34.1	142-327/.434	51-155/.329	49-72/.681	119/3.7	159	57	384/12.0
2003-04	33-33	1153-34.9	160-389/.411	71-205/.346	49-73/.671	123/3.7	147	51	440/13.3
2004-05	37-37	1198-32.4	172-339/.507	95-211/.450	59-77/.766	97/2.6	166	66	498/13.5
Totals	102-101	3441-33.7	474-1055/.449	217-571/.380	157-222/.707	339/3.3	472	174	1322/13.0

- USBWA Second-Team All-American
- NABC Second-Team All-American
- Associated Press Second-Team All-American
- Basketball Times Third-Team All-American
- College Insider.com All-American
- NCAA Chicago Regional All-Tournament Team
- Wooden Award Finalist
- Oscar Robertson (USBWA) Player of the Year Finalist
- Rupp Award Finalist
- First-Team All-Big Ten
- Big Ten Tournament All-Tournament Team
- USBWA All-District
- NABC First-Team All-District

- Set a career high with six 3-pointers vs. Oakland (Nov. 24)
- Had a career-high six steals vs. Iowa (Jan. 20), the most by an Illini player this season
- Ranks 21st on the Illini all-time scoring list with 1,254 career points (entering next game on April 2)
- Ranks fourth on the Illini career three-point field goals list with 198 treys
- Ranks ninth on the Illini career steals list with 154 steals
- Las Vegas Holiday Classic Tournament MVP
- Big Ten Player of the Week (Jan. 17)

Luther Head's Career Statistics

Year	GP-GS	MIN-Avg	FGM-A%	3PM-A%	FTM-A%	REB/Avg	A	S	PTS/Avg
2001-02	32-31	581-16.6	63-124/.508	16-55/.291	14-25/.560	67/1.9	59	34	156/4.5
2002-03	25-8	509-20.4	68-131/.519	28-66/.424	34-46/.739	71/2.8	42	27	198/7.9
2003-04	29-24	863-29.8	107-239/.448	49-143/.343	56-72/.778	110/3.8	75	30	319/11.0
2004-05	37-37	1223-33.1	200-428/.467	105-256/.410	76-97/.784	144/3.9	142	65	581/15.7
Total	126-82	3176-25.2	438-922/.475	198-520/.381	180-240/.750	392/3.1	318	154	1254/10.0

- NCAA Chicago Regional Most Outstanding Player
- NABC Second-Team All-American
- College Insider.com All-American
- CBS Sportsline.com Second-Team All-American
- Associated Press Third-Team All-American
- SI.com Third-Team All-American
- Wooden Award Finalist
- Oscar Robertson (USBWA) Player of the Year Finalist
- Bob Cousy College Point Guard of the Year Finalist
- First-Team All-Big Ten
- USBWA All-District
- NABC First-Team All-District
- Basketball Times All-Mideast Region

- Scored a season-high 23 points vs. Longwood (Dec. 27)
- Made a season-high five 3-pointers vs. Gonzaga (Nov. 27)
- Tied career high in steals with four vs. Penn State (Jan. 12)
- Ranks 36th on the Illini all-time scoring list with 1089 career points (entering next game on April 2)
- Ranks ninth on the Illini career three-point field goals list with 159 treys
- Las Vegas Holiday Classic All-Tournament Team
- Preseason Big Ten Player of the Year

Deron Williams' Career Statistics

Year	GP-GS	MIN-Avg	FGM-A%	3PM-A%	FTM-A%	REB/Avg	A	S	PTS/Avg
2002-03	32-30	868-27.1	75-176/.426	28-79/.354	24-45/.533	95/3.0	145	46	202/6.3
2003-04	30-29	1017-33.9	147-360/.408	59-170/.394	59-75/.787	97/3.2	185	31	420/14.0
2004-05	37-37	1237-33.4	169-388/.436	64-172/.372	65-94/.691	133/3.6	248	37	467/12.6
Total	99-96	3122-31.5	391-924/.423	159-421/.378	148-214/.692	325/3.3	578	114	1089/11.0

CUMULATIVE SEASON STATISTICS

University of Illinois Fighting Illini
Illinois Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 27, 2005)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(36-1)	(15-0)	(8-1)	(13-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(15-1)	(8-0)	(7-1)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(21-0)	(7-0)	(1-0)	(13-0)

#	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---											
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
04	Head, Luther.....	37-37	1223	33.1	200-428	.467	105-256	.410	76-97	.784	23	121	144	3.9	52	0	142	65	8	63	581 15.7
11	Brown, Dee.....	37-37	1198	32.4	172-339	.507	95-211	.450	59-77	.766	21	76	97	2.6	69	1	166	72	3	66	498 13.5
05	Williams, Deron....	37-37	1237	33.4	169-388	.436	64-172	.372	65-94	.691	14	119	133	3.6	74	0	248	104	8	37	467 12.6
43	Powell, Jr., Roger.	37-37	919	24.8	162-296	.547	17-47	.362	97-133	.729	91	112	203	5.5	98	0	13	38	9	23	438 11.8
40	Augustine, James....	37-37	997	26.9	140-221	.633	0-0	.000	106-141	.752	97	185	282	7.6	77	2	43	45	46	36	386 10.4
50	Ingram, Jack.....	37-0	538	14.5	63-135	.467	7-19	.368	21-27	.778	43	52	95	2.6	72	2	16	15	20	26	154 4.2
45	Smith, Nick.....	36-0	406	11.3	52-130	.400	4-11	.364	15-23	.652	20	58	78	2.2	49	0	24	21	18	11	123 3.4
33	McBride, Rich.....	36-0	536	14.9	32-98	.327	27-86	.314	7-7	1.000	16	34	50	1.4	41	0	29	19	2	15	98 2.7
41	Carter, Warren....	31-0	255	8.2	32-61	.525	1-5	.200	9-19	.474	18	39	57	1.8	25	0	5	14	6	8	74 2.4
55	Pruitt, Shaun.....	21-0	97	4.6	10-26	.385	0-0	.000	9-18	.500	10	9	19	0.9	17	0	0	10	1	3	29 1.4
34	Nkemdi, Fred.....	18-0	44	2.4	6-10	.600	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	4	2	6	0.3	7	0	2	6	1	0	12 0.7
TEAM.....										41	56	97	2.6	0					4		

Total.....	37	7450	1038-2132	.487	320-807	.397	464-637	.728	398	863	1261	34.1	581	5	688	413	122	288	2860	77.3
Opponents.....	37	7450	821-1988	.413	218-615	.354	390-587	.664	392	770	1162	31.4	572	-	460	565	93	187	2250	60.8

TEAM STATISTICS	ILL	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND			
SCORING.....	2860	2250	11/19/04	DELAWARE STATE	W	87-67	16618			
Points per game.....	77.3	60.8	11/21/04	FLORIDA A&M	W	91-60	15518			
Scoring margin.....	+16.5	-	11/24/04	OAKLAND UNIVERSITY	W	85-54	13932			
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	1038-2132	821-1988	11/27/04	vs Gonzaga	W	89-72	14183			
Field goal pct.....	.487	.413	12/01/04	WAKE FOREST	W	91-73	16618			
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	320-807	218-615	12/04/04	vs Arkansas	W	72-60	13140			
3-point FG pct.....	.397	.354	12/06/04	CHICAGO STATE	W	78-59	16618			
3-pt FG made per game..	8.6	5.9	12/09/04	at Georgetown	W	74-59	12401			
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	464-637	390-587	12/11/04	vs Oregon	W	83-66	21224			
Free throw pct.....	.728	.664	12/19/04	VALPARAISO	W	93-56	16618			
REBOUNDS.....	1261	1162	12/22/04	vs Missouri	W	70-64	22153			
Rebounds per game.....	34.1	31.4	12/27/04	LONGWOOD	W	105-79	16618			
Rebounding margin.....	+2.7	-	12/30/04	vs Northwestern State	W	69-51	2500			
ASSISTS.....	688	460	12/31/04	vs Cincinnati	W	67-45	2500			
Assists per game.....	18.6	12.4	*01/05/05	OHIO STATE	W	84-65	16618			
TURNOVERS.....	413	565	*01/08/05	at Purdue	W	68-59	14123			
Turnovers per game.....	11.2	15.3	*01/12/05	PENN STATE	W	90-64	16618			
Turnover margin.....	+4.1	-	*01/15/05	at Northwestern	W	78-66	8117			
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.7	0.8	*01/20/05	IOWA	W OT	73-68	16618			
STEALS.....	288	187	*01/25/05	at Wisconsin	W	75-65	17142			
Steals per game.....	7.8	5.1	*01/29/05	MINNESOTA	W	89-66	16694			
BLOCKS.....	122	93	*02/01/05	at Michigan State	W	81-68	14759			
Blocks per game.....	3.3	2.5	*02/06/05	INDIANA	W	60-47	16618			
WINNING STREAK.....	7	-	*02/08/05	at Michigan	W	57-51	13751			
Home win streak.....	15	-	*02/12/05	WISCONSIN	W	70-59	16865			
ATTENDANCE.....	245807	370975	*02/16/05	at Penn State	W	83-63	10966			
Home games-Avg/Game....	15-16387	9-13995	*02/19/05	at Iowa	W	75-65	15500			
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	13-18847	*02/23/05	NORTHWESTERN	W	84-48	16618			
			*03/03/05	PURDUE	W	84-50	16618			
SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total	*03/06/05	at Ohio State	L	64-65	19200	
	-----	-----	-----	-----	03/11/05	vs Northwestern	W	68-51	22413	
Illinois.....	1502	1340	18	-	2860	03/12/05	vs Minnesota	W	64-56	23697
Opponents.....	1063	1175	12	-	2250	03/13/05	vs Wisconsin	W	54-43	22157
					03/17/05	vs Fairleigh Dickinson	W	67-55	26804	
					03/19/05	vs Nevada	W	71-59	40331	
					03/24/05	vs Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	77-63	16957	
					03/26/05	vs Arizona	W OT	90-89	16957	

CUMULATIVE BIG TEN STATISTICS

Illinois Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 06, 2005)

Conference games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(15-1)	(8-0)	(7-1)	(0-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(15-1)	(8-0)	(7-1)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	|---TOTAL---		|---3-PTS---		|---REBOUNDS---													
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
04 Head, Luther.....	16-16	536 33.5	82-175	.469	43-110	.391	48-59	.814	9	56	65	4.1	22	0	48	29	3	31	255	15.9
11 Brown, Dee.....	16-16	515 32.2	79-151	.523	51-99	.515	31-43	.721	5	30	35	2.2	32	1	64	22	0	28	240	15.0
43 Powell, Jr., Roger.	16-16	381 23.8	65-129	.504	5-22	.227	45-59	.763	41	47	88	5.5	47	0	4	18	0	7	180	11.3
40 Augustine, James...	16-16	452 28.3	60-99	.606	0-0	.000	50-59	.847	41	70	111	6.9	32	0	20	20	18	18	170	10.6
05 Williams, Deron....	16-16	535 33.4	66-151	.437	27-67	.403	10-21	.476	8	46	54	3.4	37	0	107	38	6	22	169	10.6
50 Ingram, Jack.....	16-0	240 15.0	29-60	.483	5-9	.556	9-12	.750	20	20	40	2.5	24	0	9	5	6	7	72	4.5
45 Smith, Nick.....	16-0	171 10.7	22-49	.449	3-7	.429	9-10	.900	3	23	26	1.6	19	0	10	5	5	6	56	3.5
41 Carter, Warren....	11-0	93 8.5	12-22	.545	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	6	18	24	2.2	10	0	1	6	3	3	25	2.3
33 McBride, Rich.....	15-0	247 16.5	10-38	.263	10-35	.286	2-2	1.000	10	13	23	1.5	20	0	16	7	1	8	32	2.1
55 Pruitt, Shaun.....	7-0	37 5.3	4-10	.400	0-0	.000	2-6	.333	2	3	5	0.7	4	0	0	2	0	0	10	1.4
34 Nkemdi, Fred.....	6-0	18 3.0	3-6	.500	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	1	1	2	0.3	1	0	1	5	1	0	6	1.0
TEAM.....									15	22	37	2.3	0						3	
Total.....	16	3225	432-890	.485	145-351	.413	206-273	.755	161	349	510	31.9	248	1	280	160	43	130	1215	75.9
Opponents.....	16	3225	360-823	.437	97-260	.373	152-221	.688	146	319	465	29.1	244	-	204	233	35	59	969	60.6

TEAM STATISTICS	ILL	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	1215	969	*01/05/05	OHIO STATE	W	84-65	16618
Points per game.....	75.9	60.6	*01/08/05	at Purdue	W	68-59	14123
Scoring margin.....	+15.4	-	*01/12/05	PENN STATE	W	90-64	16618
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	432-890	360-823	*01/15/05	at Northwestern	W	78-66	8117
Field goal pct.....	.485	.437	*01/20/05	IOWA	W OT	73-68	16618
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	145-351	97-260	*01/25/05	at Wisconsin	W	75-65	17142
3-point FG pct.....	.413	.373	*01/29/05	MINNESOTA	W	89-66	16694
3-pt FG made per game..	9.1	6.1	*02/01/05	at Michigan State	W	81-68	14759
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	206-273	152-221	*02/06/05	INDIANA	W	60-47	16618
Free throw pct.....	.755	.688	*02/08/05	at Michigan	W	57-51	13751
REBOUNDS.....	510	465	*02/12/05	WISCONSIN	W	70-59	16865
Rebounds per game.....	31.9	29.1	*02/16/05	at Penn State	W	83-63	10966
Rebounding margin.....	+2.8	-	*02/19/05	at Iowa	W	75-65	15500
ASSISTS.....	280	204	*02/23/05	NORTHWESTERN	W	84-48	16618
Assists per game.....	17.5	12.8	*03/03/05	PURDUE	W	84-50	16618
TURNOVERS.....	160	233	*03/06/05	at Ohio State	L	64-65	19200
Turnovers per game.....	10.0	14.6					
Turnover margin.....	+4.6	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.8	0.9					
STEALS.....	130	59					
Steals per game.....	8.1	3.7					
BLOCKS.....	43	35					
Blocks per game.....	2.7	2.2					
WINNING STREAK.....	0	-					
Home win streak.....	8	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	133267	113558					
Home games-Avg/Game....	8-16658	8-14195					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	0-0					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Illinois.....	617	590	8	- 1215
Opponents.....	462	504	3	- 969

CUMULATIVE POSTSEASON STATISTICS

University of Illinois Fighting Illini
Illinois Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 27, 2005)
Postseason

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(7-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(7-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(7-0)

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---				---3-PTS---				---REBOUNDS---									
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
04 Head, Luther.....	7-7	244	34.9	36-96	.375	20-56	.357	7-14	.500	4	22	26	3.7	12	0	27	14	4	9	99 14.1
05 Williams, Deron....	7-7	251	35.9	33-72	.458	11-27	.407	17-24	.708	0	23	23	3.3	16	0	50	21	0	8	94 13.4
40 Augustine, James....	7-7	223	31.9	29-41	.707	0-0	.000	29-42	.690	17	55	72	10.3	14	1	5	11	7	9	87 12.4
43 Powell, Jr., Roger.	7-7	183	26.1	24-52	.462	4-9	.444	22-29	.759	25	22	47	6.7	18	0	2	12	2	5	74 10.6
11 Brown, Dee.....	7-7	246	35.1	24-64	.375	13-41	.317	11-14	.786	5	16	21	3.0	11	0	27	20	2	11	72 10.3
50 Ingram, Jack.....	7-0	109	15.6	17-34	.500	1-4	.250	2-3	.667	7	6	13	1.9	20	1	2	3	4	12	37 5.3
45 Smith, Nick.....	6-0	49	8.2	5-15	.333	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	3	6	9	1.5	4	0	2	4	2	0	10 1.7
33 McBride, Rich.....	7-0	63	9.0	3-14	.214	2-11	.182	3-3	1.000	3	4	7	1.0	8	0	2	3	0	3	11 1.6
55 Pruitt, Shaun.....	2-0	6	3.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	0	2	2	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
41 Carter, Warren.....	7-0	49	7.0	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	3-6	.500	1	9	10	1.4	3	0	2	2	1	0	5 0.7
34 Nkemdi, Fred.....	1-0	2	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0 0.0
TEAM.....										8	14	22	3.1	0						0
Total.....	7	1425		173-392	.441	51-150	.340	94-136	.691	73	179	252	36.0	110	2	119	91	22	57	491 70.1
Opponents.....	7	1425		150-392	.383	39-127	.307	77-113	.681	83	168	251	35.9	108	-	91	106	23	49	416 59.4

TEAM STATISTICS	ILL	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	491	416	03/11/05	vs Northwestern	W	68-51	22413
Points per game.....	70.1	59.4	03/12/05	vs Minnesota	W	64-56	23697
Scoring margin.....	+10.7	-	03/13/05	vs Wisconsin	W	54-43	22157
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	173-392	150-392	03/17/05	vs Fairleigh Dickinson	W	67-55	26804
Field goal pct.....	.441	.383	03/19/05	vs Nevada	W	71-59	40331
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	51-150	39-127	03/24/05	vs Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	77-63	16957
3-point FG pct.....	.340	.307	03/26/05	vs Arizona	W OT	90-89	16957
3-pt FG made per game..	7.3	5.6					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	94-136	77-113					
Free throw pct.....	.691	.681					
REBOUNDS.....	252	251					
Rebounds per game.....	36.0	35.9					
Rebounding margin.....	+0.1	-					
ASSISTS.....	119	91					
Assists per game.....	17.0	13.0					
TURNOVERS.....	91	106					
Turnovers per game.....	13.0	15.1					
Turnover margin.....	+2.1	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.3	0.9					
STEALS.....	57	49					
Steals per game.....	8.1	7.0					
BLOCKS.....	22	23					
Blocks per game.....	3.1	3.3					
WINNING STREAK.....	7	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	169316					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	0-0					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	7-24188					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Illinois.....	237	244	10	- 491
Opponents.....	190	217	9	- 416

CUMULATIVE NCAA TOURNAMENT STATISTICS

University of Illinois Fighting Illini
Illinois Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 27, 2005)
NCAA Tournament

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(4-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(4-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(4-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(4-0)

# # Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---											
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
05 Williams, Deron....	4-4	149 37.2	23-45	.511	7-19	.368	13-16	.813	0	12	12	3.0	12	0	34	13	0	4	66	16.5
04 Head, Luther.....	4-4	144 36.0	21-57	.368	12-31	.387	5-8	.625	1	8	9	2.3	7	0	16	5	1	7	59	14.8
11 Brown, Dee.....	4-4	146 36.5	20-40	.500	10-24	.417	7-8	.875	3	9	12	3.0	7	0	16	14	1	6	57	14.3
40 Augustine, James....	4-4	137 34.2	15-22	.682	0-0	.000	19-26	.731	8	33	41	10.3	8	1	1	4	4	6	49	12.3
43 Powell, Jr., Roger.	4-4	107 26.8	15-33	.455	2-6	.333	6-7	.857	10	10	20	5.0	13	0	2	4	1	5	38	9.5
50 Ingram, Jack.....	4-0	71 17.8	12-22	.545	1-3	.333	1-2	.500	6	5	11	2.8	11	0	2	3	2	7	26	6.5
41 Carter, Warren.....	4-0	25 6.3	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	3-4	.750	1	3	4	1.0	2	0	2	0	0	0	5	1.3
33 McBride, Rich.....	4-0	31 7.8	1-5	.200	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.5	5	0	0	1	0	1	3	0.8
45 Smith, Nick.....	3-0	15 5.0	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	0.7	3	0	2	2	0	0	2	0.7
55 Pruitt, Shaun.....	1-0	0 0.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....									6	8	14	3.5	0							
Total.....	4	825	109-231	.472	33-88	.375	54-71	.761	36	91	127	31.8	69	1	75	46	9	36	305	76.2
Opponents.....	4	825	97-229	.424	21-72	.292	51-75	.680	52	94	146	36.5	59	-	54	60	15	31	266	66.5

TEAM STATISTICS	ILL	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	305	266	03/17/05	vs Fairleigh Dickinson	W	67-55	26804
Points per game.....	76.2	66.5	03/19/05	vs Nevada	W	71-59	40331
Scoring margin.....	+9.8	-	03/24/05	vs Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	77-63	16957
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	109-231	97-229	03/26/05	vs Arizona	W OT	90-89	16957
Field goal pct.....	.472	.424					
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	33-88	21-72					
3-point FG pct.....	.375	.292					
3-pt FG made per game..	8.3	5.3					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	54-71	51-75					
Free throw pct.....	.761	.680					
REBOUNDS.....	127	146					
Rebounds per game.....	31.8	36.5					
Rebounding margin.....	-4.7	-					
ASSISTS.....	75	54					
Assists per game.....	18.8	13.5					
TURNOVERS.....	46	60					
Turnovers per game.....	11.5	15.0					
Turnover margin.....	+3.5	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.6	0.9					
STEALS.....	36	31					
Steals per game.....	9.0	7.8					
BLOCKS.....	9	15					
Blocks per game.....	2.3	3.8					
WINNING STREAK.....	4	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	101049					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	0-0					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	4-25262					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Illinois.....	143	152	10	- 305
Opponents.....	126	131	9	- 266

SEASON RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L, SCORE	ATTENDANCE	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-19-04	DELAWARE STATE	W, 87-67	16,618	17-Brown	7-Augustine
11-21-04	FLORIDA A&M	W, 91-60	15,518	20-Brown	7-Powell
11-24-04	OAKLAND	W, 85-54	13,932	22-Head	11-Augustine
11-27-04	vs. #24 Gonzaga (at Indianapolis)	W, 89-72	14,183	20 - Head 20 - Williams	5 - Augustine 5 - Smith
12-1-04	#1 WAKE FOREST @	W, 91-73	16,618	19 - Powell	7 - Powell 7 - Powell
12-4-04	vs. Arkansas (at Little Rock)	W, 72-60	13,140	19 - Powell	11 - Powell
12-6-04	CHICAGO STATE	W, 78-59	16,618	17 - Head	7 - Augustine
12-9-04	at Georgetown	W, 74-59	12,401	19 - Powell	6 - Augustine
12-11-04	vs. Oregon (at Chicago)	W, 83-66	21,224	23 - Head	8 - Augustine
12-19-04	Valparaiso \$	W, 93-56	16,618	19 - Brown	9 - Augustine
12-22-04	vs. Missouri (at St. Louis, Mo.)	W, 70-64	22,153	20 - Head	7 - Head
12-27-04	Longwood \$	W, 105-79	16,618	23 - Williams	9 - Augustine
12-30-04	vs. N'western State \$ (at Las Vegas)	W, 69-51	2,500	18 - Head	10 - Augustine
12-31-04	vs. #22 Cincinnati \$ (at Las Vegas)	W, 67-45	2,500	18 - Williams	8 - Head
1-5-05	OHIO STATE	W, 84-65	16,618	21 - Augustine	10 - Augustine
1-8-05	at Purdue	W, 68-59	14,123	15 - Head	9 - Augustine
1-12-05	PENN STATE	W, 90-64	16,618	19 - Head	7 - Head 7 - Powell
1-15-05	at Northwestern	W, 78-66	8,117	26 - Head	7 - Augustine 7 - Powell
1-20-05	#23 IOWA	W, 73-68 OT	16,618	25 - Head	14 - Augustine
1-25-05	at #18 Wisconsin	W, 75-65	17,142	18 - Head	8 - Augustine
1-29-05	MINNESOTA	W, 89-66	16,694	21 - Powell	7 - Augustine
2-1-05	at #12 Michigan State	W, 81-68	14,759	22 - Head	5 - Brown 5 - Augustine
2-6-05	INDIANA	W, 60-47	16,618	16 - Augustine	5 - Augustine
2-8-05	at Michigan	W, 57-51	13,751	16 - Brown	9 - Powell
2-12-05	#20 WISCONSIN	W, 70-59	16,865	26 - Head	8 - Head
2-16-05	at Penn State	W, 83-63	10,966	21 - Powell	5 - Powell
2-19-05	at Iowa	W, 75-65	15,500	18 - Brown 18 - Williams	8 - Augustine
2-23-05	NORTHWESTERN	W, 84-48	16,618	20 - Brown	10 - Powell
3-3-05	PURDUE	W, 84-50	16,618	27 - Brown	6 - Carter
3-6-05	at Ohio State	L, 64-65	19,200	13 - Brown	11 - Powell
3-11-05	vs. Northwestern %	W, 68-51	22,413	15 - Augustine	8 - Augustine
3-12-05	vs. Minnesota %	W, 64-56	23,697	14 - Head	14 - Augustine
3-13-05	vs. #23 Wisconsin %	W, 54-43	22,157	15 - Powell	12 - Powell
3-17-05	vs. Farleigh Dickinson \$	W, 67-55	26,804	19 - Brown	15 - Augustine
3-19-05	vs. Nevada \$	W, 71-59	40,331	23 - Augustine	10 - Augustine
3-24-05	vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee #	W, 77-63	16,957	21 - Brown 21 - Williams	10 - Augustine
3-26-05	vs. #9 Arizona #	W, 90-89 OT	16,957	22 - Williams	6 - Augustine

@ = Big Ten/ACC Challenge

\$ = Las Vegas Holiday Classic

% = Big Ten Tournament (United Center, Chicago, Ill.)

\$ = NCAA Tournament - 1st/2nd Round (RCA Dome, Indianapolis, Ind.)

= NCAA Tournament - Regional (Allstate Arena, Rosemont, Ill.)

ATTENDANCE				
	Games	Totals	Average/High Game	Sellouts
HOME	15	245,807	16,387/16,865	13
BIG TEN HOME	8	133,267	16,658/16,865	8
AWAY	9	125,959	13,995/19,200	7
NEUTRAL	13	245,016	18,847/40,331	9
TOTAL	37	616,782	16,670/40,331	29

GAME-BY-GAME RESULTS

	GAME	FGM-A/%	3PM-A/%	FTM-A/%	OR-DR — TOT	PF	AS	TO	BK	ST	PTS (1st-2nd)
11-19	Illinois (W, 87-67)	35-55/.636	12-22/.545	5-7/.714	11-16 — 27	10	23	11	2	2	87 (50-37)
	Delaware State	24-42/.571	10-19/.526	9-11/.818	2-10 — 12	13	18	13	1	6	67 (37-30)
11-21	Illinois (W, 91-60)	32-65/.492	8-24/.333	19-28/.679	17-29 — 46	19	22	21	6	12	91 (58-33)
	Florida A&M	22-59/.373	3-14/.214	13-23/.565	13-20 — 33	25	8	25	1	10	60 (29-31)
11-24	Illinois (W, 85-54)	31-55/.564	12-24/.500	11-14/.786	7-31 — 38	11	26	16	4	5	85 (47-38)
	Oakland	22-63/.349	3-12/.250	7-13/.538	11-18 — 29	14	14	12	2	12	54 (28-26)
11-27	Illinois (W, 89-72)	34-71/.479	14-28/.500	7-8/.875	14-15 — 29	19	24	7	6	13	89 (58-31)
	vs. #24 Gonzaga (at Indianapolis)	25-57/.439	6-12/.500	16-22/.727	19-24 — 43	8	12	19	6	4	72 (27-45)
12-1	Illinois (W, 91-73)	38-68/.559	11-26/.423	4-6/.667	7-30 — 37	13	27	6	3	4	91 (54-37)
	#1 Wake Forest	27-68/.397	10-24/.417	9-12/.667	13-24 — 37	10	18	9	0	3	73 (33-40)
12-4	Illinois (W, 72-60)	22-52/.423	7-19/.368	21-35/.600	12-28 — 40	24	12	14	4	3	72 (40-32)
	vs. Arkansas (at Little Rock)	19-52/.365	5-16/.313	17-32/.531	11-22 — 33	24	12	13	8	6	60 (31-29)
12-6	Illinois (W, 78-59)	32-63/.508	9-23/.391	5-8/.625	17-21 — 38	20	22	18	6	7	78 (47-31)
	Chicago State	20-46/.435	3-11/.273	16-21/.762	5-16 — 21	15	7	19	1	6	59 (32-27)
12-9	Illinois (W, 74-59)	28-54/.519	5-15/.333	13-16/.813	11-20 — 31	13	20	11	1	7	74 (31-43)
	at Georgetown	24-54/.444	6-19/.316	5-7/.714	8-17 — 25	14	11	14	5	6	59 (24-35)
12-11	Illinois (W, 83-66)	29-50/.580	6-14/.429	19-22/.864	6-23 — 29	17	20	14	8	7	83 (43-40)
	vs. Oregon (at Chicago)	23-57/.404	8-21/.381	12-19/.632	13-17 — 30	17	14	15	0	6	66 (29-37)
12-19	Illinois (W, 93-56)	40-68/.588	8-21/.381	5-7/.714	7-30 — 37	11	26	5	3	6	93 (49-44)
	Valparaiso	20-59/.339	5-17/.294	11-17/.647	12-20 — 32	11	11	15	0	2	56 (23-33)
12-22	Illinois (W, 70-64)	22-52/.423	5-19/.263	21-27/.778	13-22 — 35	20	13	9	4	8	70 (38-32)
	vs. Missouri (at St. Louis)	20-53/.377	7-18/.389	17-25/.680	17-21 — 38	20	9	14	1	5	64 (23-41)
12-27	Illinois (W, 105-79)	42-78/.538	10-25/.400	11-17/.647	16-21 — 37	8	24	10	2	12	105 (56-49)
	Longwood	32-60/.533	8-19/.421	7-9/.778	7-24 — 31	15	16	22	4	4	79 (43-36)
12-30	Illinois (W, 69-51)	26-63/.413	8-24/.333	9-14/.643	13-23 — 36	18	16	10	7	9	69 (42-27)
	vs. N'western St (at Las Vegas)	19-53/.358	4-11/.364	9-16/.563	16-27 — 43	17	9	21	1	3	51 (28-23)
12-31	Illinois (W, 67-45)	22-56/.393	9-22/.409	14-19/.737	13-26 — 39	20	14	10	1	6	67 (35-32)
	vs. #22 Cincinnati (at Las Vegas)	14-50/.280	4-15/.267	13-26/.500	16-23 — 39	17	6	15	5	6	45 (24-21)
1-5	Illinois (W, 84-65)	32-65/.492	5-15/.333	15-18/.833	14-25 — 39	16	17	6	4	3	84 (46-38)
	Ohio State	24-49/.490	10-21/.476	7-14/.500	3-20 — 23	19	11	12	2	0	65 (40-25)
1-8	Illinois (W, 68-59)	23-51/.451	11-22/.500	11-18/.611	9-17 — 26	15	16	7	6	5	68 (33-35)
	at Purdue	24-52/.462	5-10/.500	6-8/.750	10-21 — 31	16	14	13	4	1	59 (39-20)
1-12	Illinois (W, 90-64)	34-61/.557	15-34/.441	7-12/.583	15-17 — 32	15	26	9	3	9	90 (41-49)
	Penn State	23-51/.451	6-14/.429	12-13/.923	12-16 — 28	10	11	16	4	1	64 (25-39)
1-15	Illinois (W, 78-66)	30-61/.492	7-21/.333	11-16/.688	16-15 — 31	21	22	8	2	11	78 (42-36)
	at Northwestern	24-42/.571	8-16/.500	10-16/.625	6-19 — 25	17	14	16	2	3	66 (34-32)
1-20	Illinois (W, 73-68 OT)	22-67/.328	6-28/.214	23-31/.742	18-28 — 46	13	12	19	4	15	73 (34-31-8)
	#23 Iowa	27-61/.443	8-18/.444	6-12/.500	9-29 — 38	25	13	22	5	7	68 (25-40-3)
1-25	Illinois (W, 75-65)	25-45/.463	8-15/.533	17-20/.850	7-26 — 33	15	17	10	4	9	75 (35-40)
	at #18 Wisconsin	25-54/.463	10-24/.417	5-12/.417	8-22 — 30	15	14	13	3	4	65 (33-32)
1-29	Illinois (W, 89-66)	33-59/.559	10-22/.455	13-17/.765	11-26 — 37	17	21	13	5	8	89 (47-42)
	Minnesota	24-63/.381	4-14/.286	14-19/.737	16-15 — 31	14	11	12	1	4	66 (26-40)
2-1	Illinois (W, 81-68)	29-51/.569	13-24/.542	10-12/.833	6-21 — 27	13	14	10	0	12	81 (41-40)
	at #20 Michigan State	24-56/.429	7-18/.389	13-13/1.000	11-18 — 29	13	18	13	1	6	68 (33-35)
2-6	Illinois (W, 60-47)	19-44/.432	4-16/.250	18-20/.900	6-22 — 28	16	15	12	4	5	60 (26-34)
	Indiana	17-45/.378	4-14/.286	9-11/.818	7-18 — 25	15	9	15	2	3	47 (20-27)
2-8	Illinois (W, 57-51)	21-48/.438	7-24/.292	8-10/.800	6-18 — 24	17	13	5	0	8	57 (24-33)
	at Michigan	19-40/.475	6-14/.429	7-14/.500	7-21 — 28	11	11	13	0	1	51 (28-23)
2-12	Illinois (W, 70-59)	22-48/.458	8-18/.444	18-19/.947	8-21 — 29	15	11	11	1	9	70 (27-43)
	#20 Wisconsin	22-47/.468	8-19/.421	7-16/.438	8-17 — 25	16	10	14	1	7	59 (26-33)
2-16	Illinois (W, 83-63)	34-63/.540	12-28/.429	3-5/.600	11-22 — 33	17	27	8	4	11	83 (52-31)
	at Penn State	22-50/.440	6-14/.429	13-16/.813	8-19 — 27	9	18	15	1	3	63 (30-33)
2-19	Illinois (W, 75-65)	26-54/.481	5-15/.333	18-23/.783	8-13 — 21	18	12	10	1	8	75 (36-39)
	at Iowa	20-43/.465	4-11/.364	21-26/.808	13-23 — 36	19	13	21	1	5	65 (28-37)
2-23	Illinois (W, 84-48)	32-54/.593	14-23/.609	6-10/.600	9-27 — 36	13	22	11	3	6	84 (45-39)
	Northwestern	22-55/.400	1-17/.059	3-6/.500	7-14 — 21	11	12	13	1	6	48 (22-26)
3-3	Illinois (W, 84-50)	27-50/.540	15-27/.556	15-23/.652	4-27 — 31	10	21	12	1	6	84 (50-34)
	Purdue	20-62/.323	6-20/.300	4-4/1.000	14-23 — 37	20	11	17	4	5	50 (26-24)
3-6	Illinois (W, 64-65)	23-60/.383	5-19/.263	13-19/.684	13-24 — 37	17	14	9	1	5	64 (38-26)
	at Ohio State	23-53/.434	4-16/.250	15-21/.714	7-24 — 31	14	14	8	3	3	65 (27-38)
3-11	Illinois (W, 68-51)	25-52/.481	4-18/.222	14-29/.483	9-31 — 40	17	20	16	3	7	68 (38-30)
	vs. Northwestern	18-52/.346	5-19/.263	10-18/.556	9-27 — 36	20	13	19	2	7	51 (22-29)
3-12	Illinois (W, 64-56)	20-56/.357	7-22/.318	17-24/.708	19-26 — 45	13	11	23	4	11	64 (30-34)
	vs. Minnesota	21-57/.368	6-17/.353	8-12/.667	13-20 — 33	17	13	20	4	7	56 (24-32)
3-13	Illinois (W, 54-43)	19-53/.358	7-22/.318	9-12/.750	9-31 — 40	11	13	6	6	3	54 (26-28)
	vs. #23 Wisconsin	14-57/.259	7-19/.368	8-8/1.000	9-27 — 36	12	11	7	2	2	43 (18-25)
3-17	Illinois (W, 67-55)	23-54/.426	6-21/.286	15-21/.714	8-22 — 30	13	16	8	2	8	67 (32-35)
	vs. Farleigh Dickinson	23-57/.404	4-16/.250	5-11/.455	15-27 — 42	19	11	17	3	6	55 (31-24)
3-19	Illinois (W, 71-59)	26-49/.531	2-12/.167	17-20/.850	6-26 — 32	18	18	16	3	9	71 (34-37)
	vs. Nevada	20-54/.370	3-9/.333	16-25/.640	12-20 — 32	18	10	14	1	10	59 (27-32)
3-24	Illinois (W, 77-63)	28-57/.491	9-20/.450	12-15/.800	8-25 — 33	20	20	9	2	7	77 (39-38)
	vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee	22-57/.386	7-29/.241	12-18/.667	13-22 — 35	12	12	12	3	4	63 (32-31)
3-26	Illinois (W, 90-89 OT)	32-71/.451	16-35/.457	10-15/.667	14-18 — 32	18	21	13	2	12	90 (38-42-10)
	vs. #9 Arizona	32-61/.525	7-18/.389	18-21/.857	12-25 — 37	10	21	17	8	11	89 (36-44-9)

ILLINOIS & OPPONENT HIGHS & LOWS/PLAYER SUPERLATIVES

2004-05 ILLINOIS TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	<u>HIGHS</u>		<u>LOWS</u>
Points	105 vs. Longwood, 12/27		54 vs. Wisconsin, 3/13
Field Goals Made	42 vs. Longwood, 12/27		19 vs. Indiana, 2/6
Field Goals Attempted	78 vs. Longwood, 12/27		19 vs. Wisconsin, 3/13
Field Goal Percentage	.636 (35-55) vs. Delaware State, 11/19		44 vs. Indiana, 2/6
Three-Point Field Goals Made	16 vs. Arizona, 3/26		.353 (22-67) vs. Iowa, 1/20
Three-Point Field Goals Attempted	35 vs. Arizona, 3/26		2 vs. Nevada, 3/19
Three-Point Field Goal Percentage	.609 (14-23) vs. Northwestern, 2/23		12 vs. Nevada, 3/19
Free Throws Made	23 vs. Iowa, 1/20		.167 (2-12) vs. Nevada, 3/19
Free Throws Attempted	35 vs. Arkansas, 12/4		4 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1
Free Throw Percentage	.947 (18-19) vs. Wisconsin, 2/12		6 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1
Rebounds	46 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21		.483 (14-29) vs. Northwestern, 3/11
	46 vs. Iowa, 1/20		21 vs. Iowa, 2/19
Assists	27 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1		11 vs. Wisconsin, 2/12
	27 vs. Penn State, 2/16		11 vs. Minnesota, 3/12
Turnovers	23 vs. Minnesota, 3/12		5 vs. Valparaiso, 12/19
Blocks	8 vs. Oregon, 12/11		5 vs. Michigan, 2/8
Steals	15 vs. Iowa, 1/20		0 vs. Michigan State, 2/1
Fouls	24 vs. Arkansas, 12/4		0 vs. Michigan, 2/8
			2 vs. Delaware St., 11/19
			8 vs. Longwood, 12/27

OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	<u>HIGHS</u>		<u>LOWS</u>
Points	89, Arizona, 3/26		43, Wisconsin, 3/13
Field Goals Made	32, Longwood, 12/27		14, Cincinnati, 12/31
Field Goals Attempted	32, Arizona, 12/27		14, Wisconsin, 3/13
Field Goal Percentage	.68, Wake Forest, 12/1		40, Michigan, 2/8
	.571 (24-42), Delaware State, 11/19		.259 (14-54), Wisconsin, 3/13
Three-Point Field Goals Made	10, four teams; last, Wisconsin, 1/25		1, Northwestern, 2/23
Three-Point Field Goals Attempted	29, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24		10, Purdue, 1/8
Three-Point Field Goal Percentage	.526 (10-19), Delaware State, 11/19		.059 (1-17), Northwestern, 2/23
Free Throws Made	21, Iowa, 2/19		3, Northwestern, 2/23
Free Throws Attempted	32, Arkansas, 12/4		6, Northwestern, 2/23
Free Throw Percentage	1.000 (13-13), Michigan State, 2/1		.417 (5-12), Wisconsin, 1/25
	1.000 (8-8), Wisconsin, 3/13		
Rebounds	43, Gonzaga, 11/27		12, Delaware State, 11/19
	43, Northwestern State, 12/30		
Assists	21, Arizona, 3/26		6, Cincinnati, 12/31
Turnovers	25, Florida A&M, 11/21		7, Wisconsin, 3/13
Blocks	8, Arkansas, 12/4		0, three teams; last, Michigan, 2/8
	8, Arizona, 3/26		
Steals	12, Oakland, 11/24		0, Ohio State, 1/5
Fouls	25, Florida A&M, 11/21		8, Gonzaga, 11/27
	25, Iowa, 1/20		

ILLINOIS & OPPONENT PLAYER SUPERLATIVES

	<u>ILLINOIS</u>		<u>OPPONENT</u>
Points	27, Brown vs. Purdue, 3/3		32, Joah Tucker, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24
Field Goals	10, Powell vs. Penn State, 2/16		12, Joah Tucker, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24
Field Goal Attempts	18, Head vs. Iowa, 1/20		25, Vincent Grier, Minnesota, 3/12
	18, Head vs. Arizona, 3/26		
Field Goal Percentage (min. 7 att.)	1.000 (10-10), Powell vs. Penn State, 2/16		.857 (6-7), Courtney Sims, Michigan, 2/8
Three-Point Field Goals Made	8, Brown vs. Purdue, 3/3		5, Michael Jefferson, Longwood, 12/27
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	13, Head vs. Iowa, 1/20		14, Ed McCants, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24
Three-Point Field Goal Pct. (min. 5 att.)	.800 (8-10), Brown vs. Purdue, 3/3		.800 (4-5), Bruce Davis, Delaware St., 11/19
	.800 (4-5), Brown vs. Delaware St., 11/19		.800 (4-5), Ivan Harris, Ohio State, 1/5
	.800 (4-5), Brown vs. Valparaiso, 12/19		
	.800 (4-5), Williams vs. Minnesota, 1/29		
	.800 (4-5), Williams vs. Michigan State, 2/1		
Free Throws Made	12, Head vs. Wisconsin, 2/12		11, Linas Kleiza, Missouri, 12/22
Free Throws Attempted	13, Head vs. Wisconsin, 2/12		13, Linas Kleiza, Missouri, 12/22
Free Throw Percentage (min. 8 att.)	.875 (7-8), Powell vs. Wisconsin, 3/13		.846 (11-13), Linas Kleiza, Missouri, 12/22
	.875 (7-8), Williams vs. Nevada, 3/19		
Rebounds	15, Augustine vs. Nevada, 3/19		
Assists	13, Brown vs. Longwood, 12/27		
Blocks	4, Augustine vs. Oakland, 11/24		12, Channing Frye, Arizona, 3/26
	4, Augustine vs. Indiana, 2/6		7, Darrin Shine, Delaware St., 11/19
Steals	6, Head vs. Iowa, 1/20		7, Ramon Sessions, Nevada, 3/19
			7, Salim Stoudamire, Arizona, 3/26
			6, Steven Hill, Arkansas, 12/4
			6, Channing Frye, Arizona, 3/26
			5, Cortney Scott, Oakland, 11/24

ILLINOIS BASKETBALL BY THE NUMBERS

UI vs. Ranked Opponents

The Illini have played 17 games against opponents ranked by the Associated Press under Bruce Weber, winning 12 times. Following is a complete list of the Illini vs. ranked opponents (AP) since 2003-04 under Weber:

12/3/03	vs. #10 North Carolina	L, 81-88
12/23/03	vs. #11 Missouri	W, 71-70
1/10/04	#24 Purdue	L, 54-58
1/24/04	at #21 Wisconsin	L, 56-76
2/18/04	#12 Wisconsin	W, 65-57
3/14/04	vs. #10 Wisconsin	L, 53-70
3/21/04	vs. #11 Cincinnati	W, 92-68
3/26/04	vs. #6 Duke	L, 62-72
11/27/04	vs. #24 Gonzaga	W, 89-72
12/1/04	#1 Wake Forest	W, 91-73
12/31/04	#22 Cincinnati	W, 67-45
1/20/05	#23 Iowa	W, 73-68, OT
1/25/05	at #18 Wisconsin	W, 75-65
2/1/05	at #12 Michigan St.	W, 81-68
2/12/05	#20 Wisconsin	W, 70-59
3/13/05	#23 Wisconsin	W, 54-43
3/26/05	#9 Arizona	W, 90-89, OT

Illini at "The Hall"

Illinois at the Assembly Hall

All-Time:	448-118 (.792)
1963-69	49-13 (.790)
1970-79	69-42 (.622)
1980-89	134-23 (.854)
1990-99	114-34 (.770)
2000-present	78-3 (.963)

Longest Winning Streak: 31 games
(1/15/84 - 1/4/86)

Current Winning Streak: 21 games
(1/17/04 - present)

Current Winning Streak vs. Non-Conference
Opponents: 38 (11/20/98 - present)

Illini on Television

4/2	vs. Louisville - CBS
4/4 *	vs. North Carolina/Michigan St. - CBS

* = if Illinois advances

Illini TV and Radio in Chicago

4/2	WBBM-2/WSCR-AM (670)
4/4 *	WBBM-2/WSCR-AM (670)

* = if Illinois advances

By the Numbers

- 1 – Illinois' current ranking in both the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today Coaches Polls.
- 3 – Seasons in which Illinois has been ranked No. 1 in the national polls, including 1952, 1989 and 2004-05
- 3 – States represented on the Illinois roster (Florida, Illinois and Texas).
- 3 – Players on the roster from the state of Texas (Warren Carter, Jack Ingram and Deron Williams).
- 4 – Times Illinois has won back-to-back Big Ten titles, including 2001 and 2002, and 2004 and 2005.
- 5 – Final Four appearances for Illinois: 1949, 1951, 1952, 1989 and 2005
- 6 – Consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances for the Illini (2000-05).
- 10 – Players on the roster from the state of Illinois (Marcus Arnold, James Augustine, Calvin Brock, Dee Brown, Luther Head, Rich McBride, Fred Nkemdi, Roger Powell, Shaun Pruitt and Brian Randle).
- 11 – Illinois' final ranking in the 2004 Associated Press Poll.
- 15 – Consecutive weeks Illinois has been ranked No. 1 in the polls this season.
- 17 – Big Ten Championships won by Illinois.
- 24 – 20-win seasons for Illinois, including eight of the last nine seasons.
- 25 – All-time NCAA Tournament appearances by Illinois.
- 25 – Wins in 2002-03.
- 26 – Wins in 2001-02.
- 26 – Wins in 2003-04.
- 27 – Wins by the Illini in 2000-01.
- 31 – Previous school record for wins, set in 1988-89.
- 36 – Wins so far in 2004-05, the most in school history.
- 140 – Wins by the Illini in the last five seasons.
- 265 – Consecutive games Illinois has made a three-point field goal (since 11/28/97).

Streakin' Illini

Current Streaks by the Illini

All Games: 7 W
At the Assembly Hall: 21 W
On the Road: 1 L
Neutral Sites: 13 W
vs. Ranked Opponents: 9 W
Non-Conference Home Games: 38 W
(last loss vs. George Washington, 11/17/98)
Big Ten Play: 1 L
Big Ten Home Games: 14 W
Big Ten Road Games: 1 L
Since Opponent Scored 100 Pts:
379 games (12/22/93)
Consecutive Games with 3-pt. FG:
265 games (11/28/97)

Did you Know ...

... Dee Brown is the eighth Illinois Mr. Basketball to attend the University of Illinois.

... Since 1980 Illinois has signed 12 McDonald's All-Americans and one is currently on the Illini roster. Dee Brown made the All-America team in 2002. Illinois ranks 11th all-time in number of McDonald's All-Americans to attend the school.

... Illinois has the 11th best all-time winning percentage (.654) among Division I schools.

... Illinois has an all-time record of 1519-804. The 1519 wins rank 14th on the Division I list.

... Ten Illini players have been first-round draft selections, including Nick Anderson and Kendall Gill from the 1989 Final Four team and recent UI alumni Frank Williams to the New York Knicks in 2002 (now on the Chicago Bulls roster) and Brian Cook to the Los Angeles Lakers in 2003.

... Illinois ranks second in the Big Ten behind Indiana in total NCAA appearances with 25, including the last six in a row.

... Illinois has the highest all-time winning percentage among Big Ten schools, and ranks second behind Indiana in all-time victories. In all-time Big Ten play, the Illini are first in conference wins, and third in winning percentage behind Purdue and Indiana.

... The Orange Krush student group is more than just a Fighting Illini cheering section. The students raised over \$100,000 last year which went to the University of Illinois general scholarship fund, the Fighting Illini Scholarship Fund (to the Matthew Heldman Scholarship Fund) and a variety of charities. Over the last five years, Orange Krush has distributed more than \$600,000 to charities.

FIGHTING ILLINI SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

4 Luther Head

	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>
Points	26 vs. Northwestern, 1/15 26 vs. Wisconsin, 2/12	29 vs. Indiana (3/12/04)
FG	9 vs. Northwestern, 1/15	9 vs. Indiana (3/12/04) 9 vs. Northwestern (1/15/05)
FG Att.	18 vs. Iowa, 1/20 18 vs. Arizona, 3/26	18 vs. Iowa (1/20/05)
3-Pt.	6 vs. Oakland, 11/24	6 vs. Oakland, (11/24/04)
3-Pt. Att.	13 vs. Iowa, 1/20	13 vs. Iowa (1/20/05)
FT	12 vs. Wisconsin, 2/12	12 vs. Wisconsin (2/12/05)
FT Att.	13 vs. Wisconsin, 2/12	13 vs. Wisconsin (2/12/05)
Rebounds	8 vs. Cincinnati, 12/31 8 vs. Wisconsin, 2/12	10 vs. Iowa (2/25/04)
Assists	9, three times, last vs. Valparaiso, 12/19	9, four times, last vs. Valparaiso (12/19/04)
Blocks	2 vs. Purdue, 1/8 2 vs. Minnesota, 3/13	2 vs. Purdue, (1/8/04)
Steals	6 vs. Iowa, 1/20	6 vs. Iowa (1/20/05)
Minutes	42 vs. Iowa, 1/20	42 vs. Illinois State (1/3/04) 42 vs. Iowa (1/20/05)

5 Deron Williams

	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>
Points	23 vs. Longwood, 12/27	31 vs. Wisconsin (2/18/04)
FG	8, three times, last vs. Arizona, 3/26	31 vs. Cincinnati (3/21/04)
FG Att.	16 vs. Ohio State, 1/5/05 16 vs. Iowa, 2/19	10 vs. Cincinnati (3/21/04)
3-Pt.	5 vs. Gonzaga, 11/27 5 vs. Arizona, 3/26	18 vs. North Carolina (12/2/03)
3-Pt. Att.	9 vs. Gonzaga, 11/27 9 vs. Arizona, 3/26	18 vs. Wisconsin (2/18/04)
FT	8 vs. Missouri, 12/22	6 vs. Cincinnati (3/21/04)
FT Att.	10 vs. Missouri, 12/22	11 vs. Purdue (3/3/04)
Rebounds	7 vs. Valparaiso, 12/19	8 vs. Wisconsin (2/18/04)
Assists	12 vs. Penn State, 1/12	8 vs. Missouri (12/22/04)
Blocks	2 vs. Ohio State, 1/5	10 vs. Missouri (12/22/04)
Steals	4 vs. Penn State, 1/12	9 vs. Western Illinois (11/22/03)
Minutes	44 vs. Arizona, 3/26	12 vs. Penn State (1/12/05)
		2 vs. Ohio State (1/5/05)
		4, five times, last vs. Penn State (1/12/05)
		45 vs. Purdue (3/3/04)

11 Dee Brown

	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>
Points	27 vs. Purdue, 3/3	27 vs. Purdue, (3/3/05)
FG	9 vs. Purdue, 3/3	10 vs. Eastern Illinois (12/10/02)
FG Att.	14 vs. Arizona, 3/26	18 vs. Northwestern (1/14/04)
3-Pt.	8 vs. Purdue, 3/3	8 vs. Purdue, (3/3/05)
3-Pt. Att.	10 vs. Purdue, 3/3	12 vs. Northwestern (1/14/04)
FT	5 vs. Iowa, 1/20 5 vs. Ohio State, 3/6	7 vs. Michigan (3/13/04)
FT Att.	8 vs. Ohio State, 3/6	8, four times, last vs. Ohio State (3/6/05)
Rebounds	6 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1	7, four times last vs. Purdue (3/3/04)
Assists	13 vs. Longwood, 12/27	13 vs. Longwood (12/27/04)
Blocks	1, three times, last vs. UW-Milwaukee, 3/24	1, six times, last vs. UW-Milwaukee (3/24/05)
Steals	4, three times, last vs. Michigan, 2/8	5 vs. Michigan State (2/18/03) 5 vs. Northwestern (2/22/03)

Minutes 42 vs. Arizona, 3/26

43 vs. Purdue (3/3/04)

33 Rich McBride

	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>
Points	9 vs. Delaware State, 11/19	22 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)
FG	9 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1	3, four times, last vs. Longwood, 12/27
FG Att.	7 vs. Penn State, 1/12	7 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)
3-Pt.	3 vs. Delaware State, 11/19	13 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)
3-Pt. Att.	3 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1	6 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)
FT	7 vs. Penn State, 1/12	10 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)
FT Att.	3 vs. Northwestern, 3/11	3 vs. Northwestern (3/11/05)
Rebounds	2 vs. Georgetown, 12/9	3 vs. Northwestern (3/11/05)
Assists	3 vs. Northwestern, 3/11	6 vs. Chicago State (12/6/04)
Blocks	6 vs. Chicago State, 12/6	5 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)
Steals	4 vs. Purdue, 3/3	1 vs. Valparaiso (12/19/04)
Minutes	2 vs. Purdue, 1/8	1 vs. Penn State (1/12/05)
	24 vs. Wake Forest, 12/1	3 vs. UMES (12/11/03)
		3 vs. Missouri (12/23/03)
		33 vs. Purdue (1/10/04)

40 James Augustine

	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>
Points	23 vs. Nevada, 3/19	23 vs. Nevada (3/19/05)
FG	9 vs. Nevada, 3/19	9 vs. Penn State (1/25/03)
FG Att.	11 vs. Ohio State, 3/6	9 vs. Nevada, (3/19/05)
3-Pt.	11 vs. Nevada, 3/19	14 vs. Penn State (1/25/03)
3-Pt. Att.	0	1, five times, last vs. Michigan (3/1/03)
FT	0	2 vs. Michigan (3/1/03)
FT Att.	7 vs. Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17	11 vs. Farleigh Dickinson (3/17/05)
Rebounds	11vs. Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17	11 vs. Missouri (12/23/03)
Assists	15 vs. Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17	11 vs. Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17
Blocks	15 Farleigh Dickinson, (3/17/05)	15 Farleigh Dickinson, (3/17/05)
Steals	3 vs. Purdue, 1/8	4 vs. Ark-Pine Bluff (11/27/02)
Minutes	4 vs. Ark-Pine Bluff (11/27/02)	4 vs. Michigan (3/13/04)
	4 vs. Michigan (3/13/04)	5 vs. Oakland (1/4/03)
	5 vs. Arkansas (12/6/03)	5 vs. Arkansas (12/6/03)
	4, Three times	4, Three times
	last vs. Nevada (3/19/05)	last vs. Nevada (3/19/05)
	39 vs. Iowa, 2/19	39 vs. Iowa (2/19/05)

41 Warren Carter

	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>
Points	8, three times, last vs. Chicago State, 12/6	9 vs. Western Illinois (11/22/03)
FG	4 vs. Oakland, 11/24	4, three times, last vs. Chicago State (12/6/04)
FG Att.	4 vs. Chicago State, 12/6	8 vs. Gonzaga, (11/27/04)
3-Pt.	8 vs. Chicago State, 12/6	8 vs. Chicago State (12/6/04)
3-Pt. Att.	1 vs. Northwestern, 2/23	1 vs. Northwestern, (2/23/05)
FT	1, four times, last vs. Northwestern, 2/23	1, four times, last vs. Northwestern, (2/23/05)
FT Att.	4 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21	4 vs. Florida A&M (11/21/04)
Rebounds	7 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21	7 vs. Florida A&M (11/21/04)
Assists	6 vs. Northwestern, 2/23	6 vs. Northwestern, (2/23/05)
	6 vs. Purdue, 3/3	6 vs. Purdue, (3/3/05)
	2 vs. Wis.-Milwaukee, 3/24	2 vs. Western Illinois (11/22/03)
		2 vs. Wis.-Milwaukee (3/24/05)

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Blocks	2 vs. Chicago State, 12/6	2 vs. Chicago State (12/6/04)	last vs. Penn State (1/12/05)
Steals	2 vs. Penn State, 2/16		30 vs. Loyola-Chi. (12/29/01)
Minutes	2 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21	2 vs. Florida A&M (11/21/04)	
	19 vs. Valparaiso, 12/19	19 vs. Valparaiso (12/19/04)	
	19 vs. Purdue, 3/3	19 Purdue, (3/3/05)	
42 Brian Randle			
	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>	
Points		10 vs. Ohio State (1/7/04)	
FG		4, three times, last vs. Penn State (1/21/04)	
FG Att.		10 vs. UIC (12/30/03)	
3-Pt.		1, three times, last vs. UIC (12/30/03)	
3-Pt. Att.		2 vs. N. Carolina (12/2/03) & 2 vs. UIC (12/30/03)	
FT		4 vs. Western Ill. (11/22/03) & 4 vs. Ohio State (1/7/04)	
FT Att.		6 vs. Western Ill. (11/22/03)	
Rebounds		11 vs. UIC (12/30/03)	
Assists		3 vs. Mercer (11/26/03) & 3 vs. UIC (12/30/03)	
Blocks		3 vs. Penn State (1/21/04) & 3 vs. Minnesota (2/8/04)	
Steals		3 vs. Western Ill. (11/22/03) & 3 vs. Memphis (12/13/03)	
Minutes		29 vs. UIC (12/30/03)	
43 Roger Powell			
	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>	
Points	21 vs. Minnesota, 1/29	24 vs. Wisconsin (1/24/04)	
	21 vs. Penn State, 2/16		
FG	10 vs. Penn State, 2/16	10 Penn State, (2/16/05)	
FG Att.	15 vs. Iowa, 1/20	15 vs. Iowa (1/20/05)	
3-Pt.	2, three times, last vs. Wisconsin, 3/13	2, nine times, last vs. Wisconsin (3/13/05)	
3-Pt. Att.	4 vs. Purdue, 1/8	5 vs. Lehigh (11/24/02)	
FT	7 vs. Wisconsin, 3/13	9 vs. Wisconsin (1/24/04)	
FT Att.	10 vs. Arkansas, 12/4	10 vs. Wisconsin (1/24/04)	
Rebounds	12 vs. Wisconsin, 3/13	12 vs. Wisconsin (3/13/05)	
Assists	2, four times, last vs. Northwestern, 2/23	3, three times, last vs. Iowa (1/17/04)	
Blocks	2 vs. Oregon, 12/11	2, four times, last vs. Missouri (12/22/04)	
	2 vs. Missouri, 12/22	4 vs. Missouri (12/21/02)	
Steals	3 vs. Longwood, 12/27		
	3 vs. Northwestern, 1/15		
Minutes	35 vs. Wis.-Milwaukee, 3/24	40 vs. Iowa (1/17/04)	
45 Nick Smith			
	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>	
Points	9 vs. Longwood, 12/27	22 vs. Ohio State (1/7/04)	
FG	4, three times, last vs. Northwestern, 1/15	7 vs. Northwestern (2/28/04)	
FG Att.	7 vs. Valparaiso, 12/19	10 vs. Minnesota (2/8/04)	
	7 vs. Longwood, 12/27	10 vs. Northwestern (2/28/04)	
3-Pt.	1, four times last vs. Purdue, 3/3	2 vs. Purdue (3/3/04)	
3-Pt. Att.	1, nine times, last vs. Northwestern, 3/11	3 vs. Purdue (3/3/04)	
FT	2, six times, last vs. Iowa, 2/19	3 vs. Mercer (11/26/03)	
FT Att.	2, 10 times, last vs. Purdue, 3/3	10 vs. Iowa (1/17/04)	
Rebounds	6 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21	10 vs. Loyola-Chi. (12/29/01)	
Assists	3 vs. Delaware State, 11/19	10 vs. Iowa (1/17/04)	
Blocks	2, four times, last vs. Oregon, 12/11	9 vs. Loyola-Chi. (12/29/01)	
Steals	2 vs. Penn State, 1/12	9 vs. Ohio State (1/7/04)	
		5 vs. Temple (11/29/03)	
		5 vs. Minnesota (3/9/03)	
		2, four times,	
50 Jack Ingram			
	<u>Season High</u>	<u>Career High</u>	
Points		12 vs. Nevada, 3/19	12 vs. Nevada (3/19/05)
FG		6 vs. Nevada, 3/19	6 vs. Nevada (3/19/05)
FG Att.		8 vs. Ohio State, 3/6	9 vs. Mercer (11/26/03)
		8 vs. Arizona, 3/26	
3-Pt.		2 vs. Wisconsin, 1/25	2 vs. Wisconsin (1/25/05)
3-Pt. Att.		2, three times last vs. Penn State, 2/16	2, three times last vs. Penn State, (2/16/05)
FT		2, seven times, last vs. Minnesota, 1/29	2, eight times, last vs. Minnesota, (1/29/05)
FT Att.		3 vs. Longwood, 12/27	3 vs. Longwood (12/27/04)
Rebounds		6 vs. Valparaiso, 12/19	8 vs. Mercer (11/26/03)
		6 vs. Wisconsin, 1/25	8 vs. UMES (12/11/03)
Assists		2, four times, last vs. Michigan St., 2/1	2, six times, last vs. Michigan St., (2/1/05)
Blocks		3 vs. N'western St., 12/30	3 vs. N'western State (1/30/04)
Steals		4 vs. Minnesota, 3/12	4 vs. Minnesota (3/12/05)
Minutes		28 vs. Arizona, 3/26	28 vs. Arizona, 3/26
55 Shaun Pruitt			
	<u>Season High/Career High</u>		
Points	7 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21		
FG	2 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21		
	2 vs. Minnesota, 1/29		
FG Att.	4 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21		
3-Pt.	0		
3-Pt. Att.	0		
FT	4 vs. Oakland, 11/24		
FT Att.	6 vs. Oakland, 11/24		
Rebounds	5 vs. Florida A&M, 11/21		
Assists	0		
Blocks	1 vs. Chicago State, 12/6		
Steals	1, three times, last vs. Gonzaga, 11/27		
Minutes	8, three times last vs. Penn State, 2/16		

POSTSEASON HISTORY

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1942:	Eastern Playoffs (at New Orleans) Kentucky 46, Illinois 44 Penn State 41, Illinois 34
1949:	Eastern Playoffs (at New York) Illinois 71, Yale 67 Kentucky 56, Illinois 47 Final Playoffs (at Seattle) Illinois 57, Oregon State 53 (3rd place)
1951:	Warm-up Game (at Manhattan, Kan.) Kansas State 91, Illinois 72 Eastern Playoffs (at New York) Illinois 79, Columbia 71 Illinois 84, No. Carolina St. 70 Kentucky 76, Illinois 74 Final Playoffs (at Minneapolis) Illinois 61, Oklahoma A&M 46 (3rd place)
1952:	Mideast Regional (at Chicago) Illinois 80, Dayton 61 Illinois 74, Duquesne 68 Final Playoffs (at Seattle) St. John's 61, Illinois 59 Illinois 67, Santa Clara 64 (3rd place)
1963:	Mideast Regional (at East Lansing, Mich.) Illinois 70, Bowling Green 67 Loyola (Ill.) 79, Illinois 64
1981:	Western Region (#4 seed) (at Los Angeles) #4 Illinois 67, #5 Wyoming 65
1983:	Western Regional (at Salt Lake City) #8 Kansas State 57, #4 Illinois 52
1984:	Western Region (#7 seed) (at Boise) #10 Utah 52, #7 Illinois 49
1985:	Mideast Region (#2 seed) (at Milwaukee) #2 Illinois 64, #7 Villanova 56
1986:	Mideast Regional (at Lexington, Ky.) #2 Illinois 72, #3 Maryland 70
1987:	#1 Kentucky 54, #2 Illinois 51
1988:	East Region (#3 seed) (at Atlanta) #3 Illinois 76, #14 Northeastern 57
1989:	#3 Illinois 74, #6 Georgia 58
	East Regional (at Providence, R.I.) #2 Georgia Tech 61, #3 Illinois 53
	Southeast Region (#4 seed) (at Charlotte) #4 Illinois 75, #13 Fairfield 51
	#5 Alabama 58, #4 Illinois 56
	Southeast Region (#3 seed) (at Birmingham) #14 Austin Peay 68, #3 Illinois 67
	Southeast Region (#3 seed) (at Cincinnati) #3 Illinois 81, #14 Texas-San Antonio 72
	#6 Villanova 66, #3 Illinois 61
	Midwest Region (#1 seed) (at Indianapolis) #1 Illinois 77, #16 McNeese State 71
	#1 Illinois 72, #9 Ball State 60

1990:	Midwest Regional (at Minneapolis) #1 Illinois 83, #4 Louisville 69 #1 Illinois 89, #2 Syracuse 86 Final Four (at Seattle) #3 Michigan 83, #1 Illinois 81
1993:	Midwest Region (#5 seed) (at Austin) #12 Dayton 88, #5 Illinois 86
1994:	West Region (#6 seed) (at Salt Lake City) #6 Illinois 75, #11 Long Beach State 72 #3 Vanderbilt 85, #6 Illinois 68
1995:	Midwest Region (#8 seed) (at Oklahoma City) #9 Georgetown 84, #8 Illinois 77
1997:	East Region (#11 seed) (at Albany, N.Y.) #6 Tulsa 68, #11 Illinois 62
1998:	Southeast Region (#6 seed) (at Charlotte) #6 Illinois 90, #11 Southern Cal 77 #14 Tennessee-Chattanooga 75, #6 Illinois 63
2000:	West Region (#5 seed) (at Sacramento) #5 Illinois 64, #12 South Alabama 51
2001:	#4 Maryland 67, #5 Illinois 61
2002:	East Region (#4 seed) (at Winston-Salem, N.C.) #4 Illinois 68, #13 Penn 58
2003:	#5 Florida 93, #4 Illinois 76
2004:	Midwest Region (#1 seed) (at Dayton, Ohio) #1 Illinois 96, #16 Northwestern St. 54
2005:	#1 Illinois 79, #9 Charlotte 61
	Midwest Regional (at San Antonio) #1 Illinois 80, #4 Kansas 64
	#2 Arizona 87, #1 Illinois 81
	Midwest Region (#4 seed) (at Chicago) #4 Illinois 93, #13 San Diego St. 64
	#4 Illinois 72, #12 Creighton 60
	Midwest Regional (at Madison, Wis.) #1 Kansas 73, #4 Illinois 69
	West Region (#4 seed) (at Indianapolis) #4 Illinois 65, #13 Western Kentucky 60
	#5 Notre Dame 68, #4 Illinois 60
	Atlanta Region (#5 seed) (at Columbus, Ohio) #5 Illinois 72, #12 Murray State 53
	#5 Illinois 92, #4 Cincinnati 68 (at Atlanta)
	#1 Duke 72, #5 Illinois 62
	Chicago Region (#1 seed) (at Indianapolis, Ind.) #1 Illinois 67, #16 Farleigh
	Dickinson 55
	#1 Illinois 71, #9 Nevada, 59 (at Chicago)
	#1 Illinois 77, #12 Wisconsin- Milwaukee 63
	#1 Illinois 90, #3 Arizona 89 (OT)
	Overall NCAA Tournament Record: 36-25 (.590)

Illinois' Record at NCAA Sites		
Record	Last Appearance	
Albany	0-1	1995
Atlanta	2-1	2004
Austin	0-1	1990
Birmingham	0-1	1987
Boise	0-1	1983
Charlotte	2-2	1997
Chicago	6-0	2005
Cincinnati	1-1	1988
Columbus	2-0	2004
Dayton	2-0	2001
East Lansing	1-1	1963
Indianapolis	5-1	2005
Lexington	1-1	1984
Los Angeles	1-0	1981
Madison	0-1	2002
Manhattan, Kan.	0-1	1951
Milwaukee	1-0	1984
Minneapolis	3-0	1989
New Orleans	0-2	1942
New York	3-2	1951
Oklahoma City	0-1	1994
Providence	0-1	1985
Sacramento	1-1	1998
Salt Lake City	1-2	1993
San Antonio	1-1	2001
Seattle	2-2	1989
Winston-Salem	1-1	2000

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1998	2002
Quarterfinals	Quarterfinals
#2 ILL 66, #10 WIS 61	#3 ILL 92, #6 MINN 76
Semifinals	Semifinals
#3 PUR 68, #2 ILL 47	#2 OSU 94, #3 ILL 88
1999	2003
First Round	Quarterfinals
#11 ILL 67, #6 MINN 64	#2 ILL 94, #10 NU 65
Quarterfinals	Semifinals
#11 ILL 82, #3 IND 66	#2 ILL 73, #6 IND 72
Semifinals	Championship
#11 ILL 79, #2 OSU 77	#2 ILL 72, #8 OSU 59
Championship	
#1 MSU 67, #11 ILL 50	
2000	2004
Quarterfinals	Quarterfinals
#4 ILL 72, #5 IND 69	#1 ILL 71, #8 IND 59
Semifinals	Semifinals
#1 ILL 74, #5 MICH 60	#1 ILL 74, #5 MICH 60
Championship	Championship
#2 WIS 70, #1 ILL 53	#2 WIS 70, #1 ILL 53
2001	2005
Quarterfinals	Quarterfinals
#1 ILL 68, #8 NU 51	#1 ILL 68, #8 NU 51
Semifinals	Semifinals
#1 ILL 64, #5 MINN 56	#1 ILL 64, #5 MINN 56
Championship	Championship
#1 ILL 54, #3 WIS 43	#1 ILL 54, #3 WIS 43
Overall Big Ten	Overall Big Ten
Tournament	Tournament
Record: 16-6 (.727)	Record: 16-6 (.727)

Illini Career Leaders in the NCAA Tournament

Games Played

Luther Head	12
Roger Powell.....	11
Brian Cook.....	11
Sean Harrington.....	11
Nick Smith	10
Lowell Hamilton	10
James Augustine	9
Dee Brown	9
Deron Williams	9
Robert Archibald	9
Steve Bardo.....	9
Cory Bradford	9
Bruce Douglas	9
Kendall Gill	9
Lucas Johnson	9
Efrem Winters	9
Frank Williams	9
Tony Wysinger.....	9

Points Scored

Frank Williams	148
Dee Brown	136
Rod Fletcher.....	130
Deron Williams	128
Luther Head	121
Brian Cook.....	120
Nick Anderson	120
Kendall Gill	117
Rod Fletcher.....	113
Doug Altenberger	109
Kenny Battle.....	107
Cory Bradford	105
Don Sunderlage	100
James Augustine	100

Field Goals Made

Frank Williams	57
Dee Brown	51
Nick Anderson	50
Brian Cook.....	49
Kendall Gill	46
Luther Head	45
Deron Williams	45
Rod Fletcher.....	44
Doug Altenberger	42
Don Sunderlage	41
Kenny Battle.....	40
Roger Powell.....	38
Cory Bradford	38
Anthony Welch.....	38

Rebounds (since 1963)

James Augustine	78
Brian Cook.....	74
Efrem Winters	58
Nick Anderson	56

Ken Norman	46
Damir Krupalija	42
Robert Archibald	41
Lowell Hamilton	41
Kenny Battle.....	40
Roger Powell.....	39
Bruce Douglas	38
Luther Head	37
Sergio McClain.....	37

Assists (since 1981)

Deron Williams	62
Bruce Douglas	55
Luther Head	50
Frank Williams	42
Dee Brown	40
Steve Bardo.....	37
Kendall Gill	30
Kiwane Garris.....	24
Tony Wysinger.....	20
Cory Bradford	18
Sergio McClain.....	18
Sean Harrington	16
Lucas Johnson	16
Richard Keene	16
Larry Smith	16
Efrem Winters	16
Derek Harper	16

Three-Point Field Goals Made

Cory Bradford	28
Luther Head	21
Frank Williams	21
Deron Williams	20
Dee Brown	18
Sean Harrington	12
Kendall Gill	10
Matt Heldman.....	9
Kevin Turner	7

Free Throws Made

Don Sunderlage	35
Kiwane Garris.....	33
Clive Follmer	32
Robert Archibald	31
James Augustine	30
Rod Fletcher	28
Kenny Battle	26
Frank Williams	23
Lucas Johnson	23
Nick Anderson	20
Bruce Douglas	20

Miscellaneous Records

Record by Seed

No. 1	11-2
No. 2	2-1
No. 3	3-3
No. 4	5-5
No. 5	3-3
No. 6	2-2
No. 8	0-1
No. 11	0-1

Record by Region

Midwest	9-5
East	8-7
West	4-5
Southeast	3-4
Mideast	6-3
Atlanta	2-1
Chicago	4-0

Final Four Record: 3-4

1949:	1-1 (3rd)
1951:	1-1 (3rd)
1952:	1-1 (3rd)
1989:	0-1

Illinois vs. Eventual National Champions: (7-23)

2002	Maryland, L 63-76
2001	Duke, L 77-78
2000	Michigan State, L 66-91, L 61-76
1989	Michigan, W 96-84, W 87-73, L 81-83
1988	Kansas, W 81-75
1987	Indiana, L 66-69, W 69-67
1981	Indiana, L 61-78, L 66-69
1980	Louisville, W 77-64
1979	Michigan State, W 57-55, L 62-76
1976	Indiana, L 55-83, L 48-58
1973	UCLA, L 64-71
1967	UCLA, L 82-120
1965	UCLA, W 110-83
1964	UCLA, L 79-83
1963	Loyola-Chicago, L 64-79
1960	Ohio State, L 73-97, L 81-109
1953	Indiana, L 70-74, L 79-91
1951	Kentucky, L 74-76
1949	Kentucky, L 47-76
1941	Wisconsin, L 30-46
1940	Indiana, L 36-38

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NCAA Tournament Team Highs/Lows - Illinois	45 vs. Kansas, 3/23/01 45 vs. Louisville, 3/24/89	Fewest Points / Half 13 (2nd) vs. Penn State, 3/21/42 21 (1st) vs. Penn State, 3/21/42 22, four times, last vs. Kentucky (1st), 3/24/84	Most Points Allowed 93, Florida, 3/19/00 90, Arizona, 3/26/05 88, Dayton, 3/15/90 87, Arizona, 3/25/01 83, Michigan, 4/1/89
Field Goals 39 vs. Louisville, 3/24/89 38 vs. North Carolina State, 3/22/51 37 vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89 35 vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 35 vs. Northwestern State, 3/18/01 35 vs. Fairfield, 3/14/86	Assists 27 vs. Northwestern State, 3/18/01 26 vs. vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 24 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 22 vs. Louisville, 3/24/89 21 vs. Arizona, 3/26/05 21 vs. USC, 3/14/97 21 vs. Ball State, 3/18/89 21 vs. Northeastern, 3/15/85	Fewest Free Throws Made 0 vs. Alabama, 3/16/86 1 vs. Penn State, 3/21/42 2 vs. Kansas State, 3/19/81	NCAA Tournament Individual Lists - Illinois
Field Goal Attempts 103 vs. Yale, 3/21/49 81 vs. Louisville, 3/24/89 80 vs. Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63 77 vs. Dayton, 3/21/52 75 vs. Oregon State, 3/26/49	Fewest Turnovers 4 vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 4 vs. Fairfield, 3/14/86 5 vs. Alabama, 3/16/86 6 vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98 6 vs. Maryland, 3/22/84 7 vs. Kentucky, 3/24/84 7 vs. Kansas State, 3/19/81	Low Free Throw Percentage .000 (0-0) vs. Alabama, 3/16/86 .100 (1-10) vs. Penn State, 3/21/42 .363 (4-11) vs. Louisville, 3/24/89	20+ Point Games 25, Don Sunderlage vs. Columbia, 3/20/51 22, Ted Beach vs. Columbia, 3/20/51
Field Goal Percentage .615 (35-55) vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 .607 (37-61) vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89 .596 (31-52) vs. USC, 3/14/97 .587 (27-46) vs. Maryland, 3/22/84 .586 (34-58) vs. San Diego St., 3/15/02 .577 (30-52) vs. Northeastern, 3/15/85	Blocked Shots 6 vs. Creighton, 3/17/02 6 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 5 vs. Murray State, 3/19/04 5 vs. Austin Peay, 3/12/87 4 vs. Western Kentucky, 3/20/03 4 vs. Ball State, 3/18/89	Fewest 3-Point Field Goals 0 vs. Texas-San Antonio, 3/18/88 0 vs. Austin Peay, 3/12/87 1, three times, last vs. Louisville, 3/24/89	21, Don Sunderlage vs. North Carolina State, 3/22/51 20, Don Sunderlage vs. Kentucky, 3/24/51 21, Rod Fletcher vs. Kentucky, 3/24/51 25, John Kerr vs. Santa Clara, 3/26/52 20, Dave Downey vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63 21, Bill Burwell vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63 20, Dave Downey vs. Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63 23, Ken Norman vs. Northeastern, 3/15/85 24, Doug Altenberger vs. Georgia Tech, 3/21/85 22, Anthony Welch vs. Fairfield, 3/14/86 21, Lowell Hamilton vs. Texas-San Antonio, 3/18/88 24, Nick Anderson vs. Ball State, 3/18/89 24, Nick Anderson vs. Louisville, 3/24/89 24, Nick Anderson vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89 28, Kenny Battle vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89 29, Kenny Battle vs. Michigan, 4/1/89 28, Kendall Gill vs. Dayton, 3/15/90 20, Deon Thomas vs. Long Beach State, 3/18/93 24, Kiwane Garris vs. Tulsa, 3/17/95 27, Kiwane Garris vs. USC, 3/14/97 20, Chris Gandy vs. USC, 3/14/97 21, Frank Williams vs. Penn, 3/17/00 27, Cory Bradford vs. Florida, 3/19/00 30, Frank Williams vs. Kansas, 3/23/01 25, Robert Archibald vs. Arizona, 3/25/01 22, Cory Bradford vs. Arizona, 3/25/01 25, Frank Williams vs. San Diego St., 3/15/02 20, Frank Williams vs. Creighton, 3/17/02 21, Dee Brown vs. Murray State, 3/19/04
3-Point Field Goals 16 vs. Arizona, 3/26/05 13 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 11 vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 11 vs. Arizona, 3/25/01 10 vs. Kansas, 3/22/02 10 vs. Creighton, 3/17/02 10 vs. Charlotte, 3/20/01 10 vs. Northwestern State, 3/18/01	Steals 13 vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98 12 vs. Arizona, 3/26/05 11 vs. Western Kentucky, 3/20/03 11 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 11 vs. Kansas, 3/23/01 11 vs. Louisville, 3/24/89 11 vs. McNeese State, 3/16/89	Fewest 3-Point Field Goal Attempts 1 vs. Texas-San Antonio, 3/18/88 2 vs. Villanova, 3/20/88 4 vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89	Low 3-Point Field Goal Percentage .000 (0-1) vs. Texas-S.A., 3/18/88 .000 (0-7) vs. Austin Peay, 3/12/87 .125 (1-8) vs. McNeese State, 3/18/89
3-Point Field Goal Attempts 35 vs. Arizona, 3/26/05 28 vs. Florida, 3/19/00 27 vs. Arizona, 3/25/01 27 vs. Charlotte, 3/20/01 26 vs. Kansas, 3/22/02 26 vs. Kansas, 3/23/01 25 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02	Points 96 vs. Northwestern State, 3/18/01 93 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 92 vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 90 vs. Arizona, 3/26/89 90 vs. USC, 3/14/97 89 vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89	Fewest Rebounds 16 vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98 21 vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 21 vs. UT-Chattanooga, 3/16/97 21 vs. Kentucky, 3/24/84	Fewest Assists 7 vs. Tulsa, 3/17/95 8 vs. Villanova, 3/20/88 10 vs. Kansas, 3/23/01 10 vs. Penn, 3/17/00
3-Point Field Goal Percentage (min. 10 att.) .579 (11-19) vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 .526 (10-19) vs. Northwestern St., 3/18/01 .520 (13-25) vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 .500 (5-10) vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98 .500 (5-10) vs. Long Beach St., 3/18/93	50-Point Halves 53 vs. San Diego State (2nd), 3/15/02 52 vs. NW State (2nd), 3/18/01 51 vs. Arizona (2nd), 3/25/01 51 vs. McNeese State (2nd), 3/16/89 50 vs. Dayton (2nd), 3/15/90 50 vs. Syracuse (2nd), 3/26/89	Fewest Blocked Shots 0 vs. Long Beach State, 3/18/93 0 vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89 0 vs. Maryland, 3/22/84	Fewest Steals 1 vs. Kansas State, 3/19/81 2 vs. Maryland, 3/14/98 2 vs. USC, 3/14/97
Free Throw Attempts 37 vs. Oklahoma A&M, 3/22/51 35 vs. Kentucky, 3/24/51 32 vs. Santa Clara, 3/26/52 32 vs. Dayton, 3/21/52 30 vs. Maryland, 3/22/84	Fewest Field Goals 12 vs. Penn State, 3/21/42 16 vs. Oklahoma A&M, 3/22/51 18 vs. Kentucky, 3/20/42 19 vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98	Largest Winning Margin 41 vs. Northwestern State, 3/18/01 29 vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02 24 vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04 24 vs. Fairfield, 3/14/86 19 vs. Murray State, 3/19/04 19 vs. Northeastern, 3/15/85 19 vs. Dayton, 3/21/52	Largest Losing Margin 17 vs. Florida, 3/19/00 17 vs. Vanderbilt, 3/20/93 15 vs. Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63 12 vs. UT-Chattanooga, 3/16/97
Free Throw Percentage .917 (11-12) vs. Oregon State, 3/26/49 .889 (16-18) vs. NW State, 3/18/01 .882 (15-17) vs. Wyoming, 3/14/81 .857 (12-14) vs. West. Kentucky, 3/20/03 .850 (17-20) vs. Nevada, 3/19/05 .826 (19-23) vs. Michigan, 4/1/89	Fewest Field Goal Attempts 41 vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98 45 vs. Creighton, 3/17/02 46 vs. Maryland, 3/22/84 47 vs. Georgia Tech, 3/21/85 49 vs. Penn, 3/17/00 49 vs. Nevada, 3/19/05	Most Points in a Loss .226 (12-53) vs. Penn State, 3/21/42 .275 (19-69) vs. Kentucky, 3/22/49 .282 (29-103) vs. Yale, 3/21/45 .307 (23-75) vs. Oregon State, 3/26/49	Rebounds 50 vs. Dayton, 3/15/90 50 vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63 49 vs. Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63

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31, Deron Williams vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04
 22, Roger Powell vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04
 23, James Augustine vs. Nevada, 3/19/05
 21, Dee Brown vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 21, Deron Williams vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 22, Deron Williams vs. Arizona, 3/26/05
 20, Luther Head vs. Arizona, 3/26/05

Chronological Single-Game Scoring Record

15, Ken Menke vs. Kentucky, 3/20/42
 15, Don Sunderlage vs. Penn State, 3/21/49
 15, Walter Osterkorn vs. Penn State, 3/21/49
 17, Walter Osterkorn vs. Oregon State, 3/26/49
 18, Don Sunderlage vs. Kansas State, 3/14/51
 25, Don Sunderlage vs. Columbia, 3/20/51
 26, John Kerr vs. Santa Clara, 3/26/52
 28, Kenny Battle vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89
 29, Kenny Battle vs. Michigan, 4/1/89
 30, Frank Williams vs. Kansas, 3/23/01
 31, Deron Williams vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04

Double-Figure Rebounds

12, Dave Downey vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63
 11, Bill Burwell vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63
 12, Skip Thoren vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63
 14, Efrem Winters vs. Villanova, 3/18/84
 12, Ken Norman vs. Austin Peay, 3/12/87
 12, Nick Anderson vs. McNeese State, 3/16/89
 16, Nick Anderson vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89
 10, Deon Thomas vs. Georgetown, 3/18/94
 12, Jens Kujawa vs. Villanova, 3/20/88
 12, Shelly Clark vs. Tulsa, 3/17/95
 13, Jarrod Gee vs. Maryland, 3/14/98
 10, Marcus Griffin vs. Penn, 3/17/00
 10, Frank Williams vs. Charlotte, 3/18/01
 10, Sergio McClain vs. Kansas, 3/23/01
 10, Robert Archibald vs. Kansas, 3/22/02
 10, Brian Cook vs. Western Kentucky, 3/20/03
 16, Brian Cook vs. Notre Dame, 3/22/03
 15, James Augustine vs. Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17/05

10, James Augustine vs. Nevada, 3/19/05
 10, James Augustine vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05

Double-Figure Assists

11, Bruce Douglas vs. Kentucky, 3/24/84
 11, Bruce Douglas vs. Georgia, 3/17/85
 12, Kiwane Garris vs. USC, 3/14/97
 10, Deron Williams vs. Nevada, 3/19/05
 10, Deron Williams vs. Arizona, 3/26/05

Free Throws Made

16, Kiwane Garris vs. USC, 3/14/97
 12, Robert Archibald vs. Arizona, 3/25/01
 9, James Bredar vs. Dayton, 3/21/52
 9, Don Sunderlage vs. Oklahoma A&M, 3/22/51

Free Throw Attempts

17, Kiwane Garris vs. USC, 3/14/97
 13, Robert Archibald vs. Arizona, 3/25/01
 12, Kevin Turner vs. South Alabama, 3/12/98

3-Point Field Goals

6, Deron Williams vs. Cincinnati, 3/21/04
 6, Cory Bradford vs. Arizona, 3/25/01
 5, Dee Brown vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 5, Luther Head vs. Arizona, 3/24/05
 5, Deron Williams vs. Arizona, 3/24/05
 5, Frank Williams vs. San Diego State, 3/15/02
 5, Cory Bradford vs. Florida, 3/19/00
 5, Kendall Gill vs. Dayton, 3/15/90

3-Point Field Goal Attempts

12, Luther Head vs. Arizona, 3/26/05
 11, Cory Bradford vs. Arizona, 3/25/01
 11, Richard Keene vs. Vanderbilt, 3/26/93
 10, Cory Bradford vs. Florida, 3/19/00

Field Goals Made

12, Kenny Battle vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89
 12, Nick Anderson vs. Louisville, 3/24/89
 11, Frank Williams vs. Kansas, 3/23/01
 11, Anthony Welch vs. Fairfield, 3/14/86

Field Goal Attempts

24, Frank Williams vs. Kansas, 3/23/01
 23, Brian Cook vs. Notre Dame, 3/22/03

22, Nick Anderson vs. Louisville, 3/24/89
 22, Dave Downey vs. Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63
 21, Rod Fletcher vs. Duquesne, 3/22/52

Illinois Double-Doubles (Pts-Reb unless noted)

Dave Downey, 20-12 vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63
 Bill Burwell, 21-11 vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63
 Skip Thoren, 10-12 vs. Bowling Green State, 3/15/63
 Efrem Winters, 12-14 vs. Villanova, 3/18/84
 Ken Norman, 17-12 vs. Austin Peay, 3/12/87
 Nick Anderson, 13-12 vs. McNeese State, 3/16/89
 Nick Anderson, 24-16 vs. Syracuse, 3/26/89
 Deon Thomas, 19-10 vs. Georgetown, 3/18/94
 Shelly Clark, 13-12 vs. Tulsa, 3/17/95

Kiwane Garris, 27-12 assists vs. USC, 3/14/97

Jerry Gee, 14-13 vs. Maryland, 3/14/98
 Marcus Griffin, 17-10 vs. Penn, 3/17/00
 Frank Williams, 11-10 assists vs. Charlotte, 3/18/01
 Sergio McClain, 10-10 vs. Kansas, 3/23/01

Robert Archibald, 15-10 vs. Kansas, 3/22/02

Brian Cook, 17-10 vs. Western Kentucky, 3/20/03
 Brian Cook, 19-16 vs. Notre Dame, 3/22/03

James Augustine, 11-15 vs. Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17/05

James Augustine, 23-10 vs. Nevada, 3/19/05
 Deron Williams, 15-10 assists vs. Nevada, 3/19/05

James Augustine, 11-10 vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 Deron Williams, 22-10 assists vs. Arizona, 3/26/05

Opponent Records

Opponent Points

33, Jerry Harkness, Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63
 32, Joah Tucker, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 29, Billy McCaffrey, Vanderbilt, 3/20/93
 29, Jack Stone, Kansas State, 3/14/51
 29, Jim Tucker, Duquesne, 3/22/52
 28, Glen Rice, Michigan, 4/1/89
 28, Bill Spivey, Kentucky, 3/24/51

Opponent Rebounds

19, Vic Rouse, Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63
 16, Loy Vaught, Michigan, 4/1/89
 15, Leslie Hunter, Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63

14, Torin Francis, Notre Dame, 3/22/03
 14, Sam Bowie, Kentucky, 3/24/84
 14, Ed Pickney, Villanova, 3/18/84
 14, Ed Neely, Kansas State, 3/19/81

Opponent Field Goals

13, Jerry Harkness, Loyola-Chicago, 3/16/63
 13, Jack Stone, Kansas State, 3/14/51
 12, Joah Tucker, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 11, Channing Frye, Arizona, 3/26/05
 11, Reggie Lewis, Northeastern, 3/15/85
 11, Jim Tucker, Duquesne, 3/22/52
 11, Bill Spivey, Kentucky, 3/24/51
 11, Gordon Klaiber, Farleigh Dickinson, 3/17/05

Opponent Field Goal Att.

31, Jim Tucker, Duquesne, 3/22/52
 28, Reggie Lewis, Northeastern, 3/15/85
 28, Tony Lavelli, Yale, 3/21/49

Opponent 3-Point Field Goals

6, Al Faux, San Diego St., 3/15/02
 5, Dan Miller, Notre Dame, 3/22/03
 5, Shea Seals, Tulsa, 3/17/95
 5, Tab Harris, McNeese State, 3/16/89
 5, Darryl Bedford, Austin Peay, 3/12/87

Opponent 3-Point Field Goal Attempts

14, Ed McCants, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 3/24/05
 13, Darryl Bedford, Austin-Peay, 3/12/87
 11, Matt Langel, Penn, 3/17/00
 10, Pat Sparks, Western Kentucky, 3/20/03
 10, Billy McCaffrey, Vanderbilt, 3/20/93

Opponent Assists

12, Rumeel Robinson, Michigan, 4/1/89
 10, Terry Coner, Alabama, 3/16/85
 10, Keith Gatlin, Maryland, 3/22/84

Opponent Points Scored

93, Florida, 3/19/00
 89, Arizona, 3/26/05
 88, Dayton, 3/15/90
 87, Arizona, 3/25/01
 83, Michigan, 4/1/89